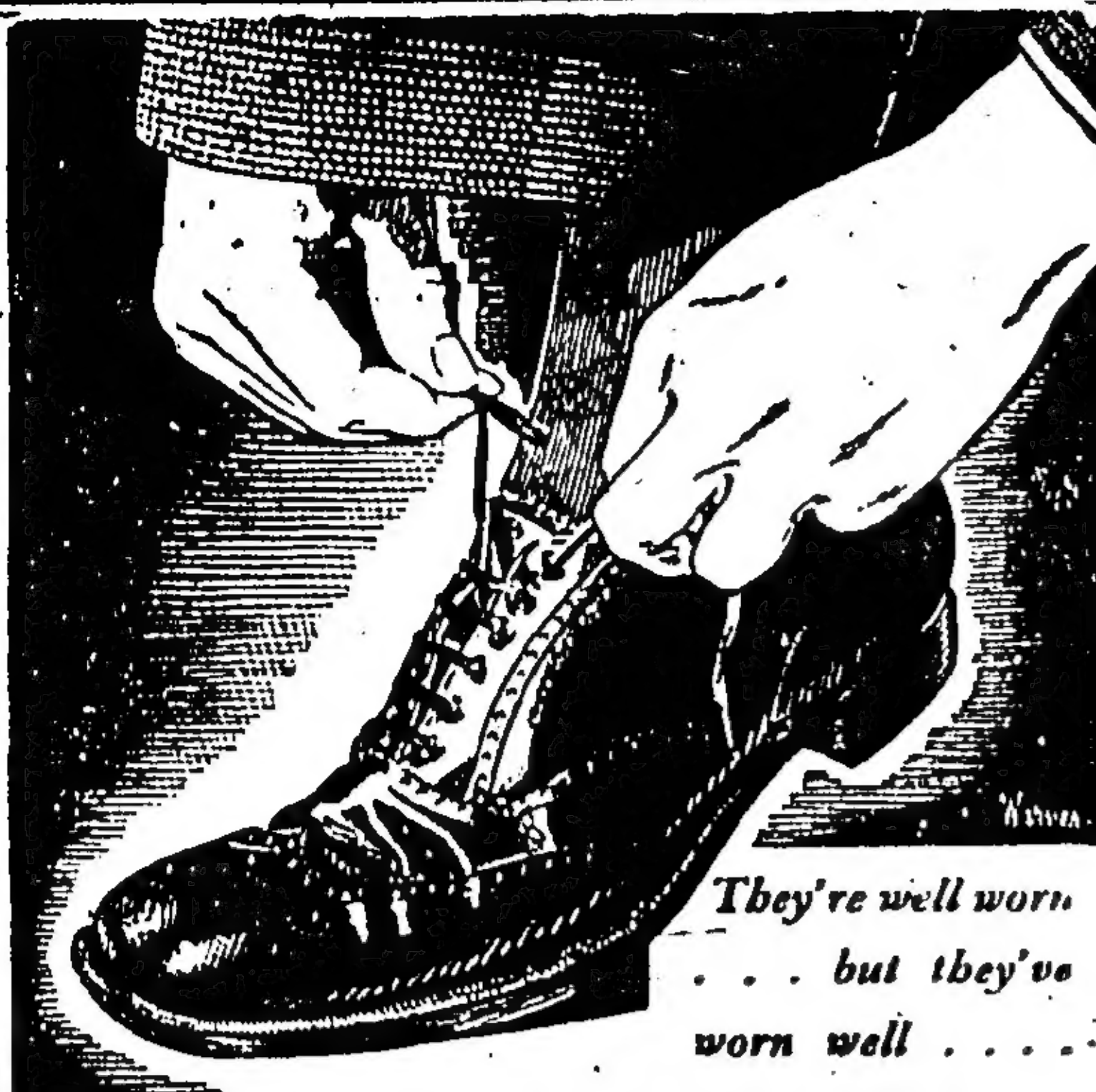








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(Top)  
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relied upon to make the  
usual look like the un-  
usual. This black hat,  
featuring the old-fashion-  
ed mushroom shape in a  
modern, modified manner,  
is made of fine black plect  
straw. A splash of colour  
is gained with a double  
bow of watermelon pink  
satin ribbon. Note, also,  
the gloves of patterned  
silk—pink flowers on a  
black ground to continue  
the colour not of the hat.  
(Circle)  
Suzy designed this ally  
little chapeau, which gains  
distinction from its size  
and the odd shape of the  
crown. The shiny straw  
is navy blue, and the sim-  
ple trimming is of daf-  
fodil yellow grosgrain  
ribbon.



(Above)  
Schlapparelli does daring  
things with scarlet and  
black. The hat is of  
panama straw in a vivid  
tone of red, and the only  
adornment follows the  
vogue for bird's plumage.  
But, instead of feathers,  
Schlapparelli has made her  
"wing" of black moire,  
and then set it at an un-  
usual angle.  
(Left)  
Bernard gives a choice of  
wool or macramé twine  
with which to trim the  
brim and crown of a hat  
of cartwheel dimensions.  
Crochet experts can try  
their skill with fancy tit-  
ches, and the final touch  
of chic is given with a big  
bunch of field flowers.

To whirl you into a gay mood re-  
gardless of the weather seems to be  
the purpose of the new hats for the  
Spring. But do not think that you can  
change to a new coiffure and put on  
any new hat. Perfect co-operation is  
needed between hat and coiffure if  
your head-lines are to be of the smart-  
est. You can choose any shape you  
have a fancy for in the new styles as  
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or high crowned.

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TRIMLY TAILORED — June  
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in a light grey tan ensemble. The  
fitted coat buttons down the front  
in self-covered buttons with wide  
shouldered long sleeves and is  
worn buttoned over a gored skirt  
in deep beige.



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### little tricks.

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mended with a strip of adhesive  
tape on the under-side.

BOYS will be boys. Hence their  
knitted jerseys should have  
pockets lined with cloth.

CRACKED leather on a chair is  
unsightly. The disfigurement  
can be guarded against by rubbing  
in a mixture composed of two  
parts of linseed oil and one of  
vinegar.

MOST people know that an aspirin  
in the vase-water will stimu-  
late cut flowers. Another point  
to be noted is that tulips will stand  
up better and longer if a spoonful  
of starch is added to the water.

WHEN making jam or jelly rub  
the bottom of the preserving  
pan with butter. This keeps it  
from burning. When the jam is  
ready for bottling, stir in a piece  
of butter the size of a walnut. This  
will clear the scum away. Always  
heat the sugar and the jars.

### Batter Cakes, But Different

BATTER cakes, pancakes, griddle  
cakes, hot cakes, or flapjacks:  
by whatever name you call them,  
they taste just as good; any time,  
and place. Provided, of course,  
they are carefully made and at-  
tractively served.

Probably the most de luxe bat-  
ter cakes that ever coaxed an al-  
ready satisfied appetite came to  
us at the close of an excellent lun-  
cheon in a small tea-room.  
The waitress surprised us by bringing  
in a plate of three small hot cakes  
covered with melted butter and  
maple syrup. They were not larger  
than a silver dollar and a little bit  
thinner. I should think; and they  
were the most delicious ending to  
a good meal that we ever ate!

"Just our way of asking you to  
remember us, and come again," the  
manager said when we expressed  
our appreciation.

At another eating place one of  
the well-known specialties served  
happen to be batter cakes; also de-  
licious and a bit different. They  
are ordinary pancakes; that is, they  
are made according to any good re-  
cipe, but instead of milk for thin-  
ning the batter, orange juice is  
used, and instead of serving these  
orange cakes with maple or some  
other syrup, orange marmalade is  
used. You have only to try them to  
find out how palatable these cakes  
are. L. H. S.

THE rinds of lemons should not be  
thrown away. Grate them; add  
sugar, and store for use as a flav-  
ouring for cakes or puddings.

WE have Cellophane for bags and  
as sweet-stainers, and the  
remainder may be given that it is  
excellent as covers for jam jars.  
The ubiquitous rubber band will  
keep it in place.

### PLEASES LITTLE GIRLS

MANUFACTURERS are well  
aware of the pleasure small  
girls take in designs that imitate  
those in which debutante sisters  
pursue their romantic careers, and  
they scale down to children's sizes  
grown-up silhouettes. Consequent-  
ly we find school neophytes wear-  
ing dresses whose waistlines appear  
to be nipped-in, whose midriffs are  
elongated and flattened, and whose  
skirts away with the rhythms po-  
pular on the formal dance floor.  
To achieve the effect of tapering  
waists, yokes are featured, giving  
shoulder breadth, while pinks,  
bonds, appliques and rows of but-  
tons are so placed as to draw on  
the bodice the slimming figure, V.  
Tops cut like pointed basques are  
another method of slicing the  
waistline and copying the appear-  
ance of adult dresses.

Crepes, sheer woollens, wool-  
and-rayon mixtures, taffeta, velvet  
and velveteen are approved fabrics  
for important frocks and deep, rich  
colours are as numerous as pastels.

Children love trick dresses, and  
although these belong more pro-  
perly to school types, the fact that  
the match-or-mix idea is so ap-  
pealing, and that a skirt which can  
be worn with the back in the front  
or the inside out becomes irresist-  
ible, influences the design even of  
occasion frocks, after the age of 10  
years. Jacket styles are very po-  
pular largely on this account.

MOISTURE in the air is not con-  
ducive to the best results  
when making sweets. Hence,  
avoid a wet day.

WHEN men's sports flannels are  
washed and rinsed, put them  
through a thin solution of starch.  
Then proceed as usual with dry-  
ing, damping, and ironing. The  
starch gives them shape and  
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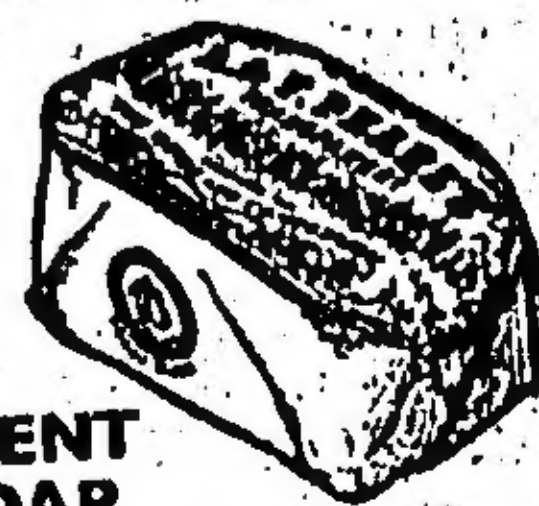


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# SECRETS OF CODES AND CIPHERS

SOME of the codes used nowadays for diplomatic, military, and naval communications, are extraordinarily elaborate, and their solution, by parties not in possession of the key, may involve months of arduous research. But they have been built up, by continued experiment, from simple enough principles, the study of which—though of little practical value, except to the expert—affords entertainment and intellectual stimulus.

perhaps hundreds, of different messages could be constructed from its letters:

UNROR ESDIC HOTT OHDFN  
OTEE SRTBU VESHO EWEFD  
UNERL SLPOL PDTAO.

There must, therefore, be a key. In this case, the key is the phrase FAIR COUNSEL. How is the key applied? First, it tells us to divide the message into groups of eleven letters:

UNRORES DICI IOTTHDFNOT  
EESRTBUVES HOEWEFDUNER  
LSLPOLPDTAO.

The basic principles used in all codes are two: transposition and substitution. By transposition is meant altering the position of letters, without altering the letters themselves;

Next, we number the letters of the key-phrase in their alphabetical order:

FAIR COUNSEL  
4 1 3 9 2 8 11 7 10 3 6

and this tells us in what order to take the letters of each group. First, the fourth letter; next, the first letter; next, the fifth letter, and so on:

UNRORES DICI

Number: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11  
Order: 2 5 10 1 3 11 8 6 4 9 7  
This gives us:

OUR INDISCRE

Treating the other letters similarly, we get Hamlet's remark to Horatio:

OUR INDISCRETION OFT DOT  
SERVE US BEST WHEN OUR  
DEEP PLOTS DO FALL.

The substitution principle, in its elementary variations, is even simpler to apply. The simplest cipher is those in which one letter stands for another; the coded messages of the racecourse tipster are excellent examples. Given, for example, the key:

QKEJGAVNSDIXM  
FUPBTOIZCYLRW

one sees at a glance how LODESTAIR, in code, becomes HAYPCGOX.

For serious purposes any simple substitution cipher is absolutely useless, if more than a few words are transmitted. The letter-equivalents can be deduced by an analysis of the messages themselves. Take, for example, this coded message:

YUM YUMXU GB YUM BKTWY  
IULZYMT GB XV YUMWKW KW  
YUM QKBM LDC CMLYU GB  
YUSIVCKCMW.

Here, where there is no concealment of the division of the message into words, it is not difficult to deduce it by a process of pure deduction. One begins, for example, by assuming (correctly, in this instance) that the group YUM represents THE; YUMXU and YUMWKW are now soon interpreted as THEME and THESIS respectively; GB is clearly OF; and already we have eight letters. Substituting, we get

THE THEME OF THE FIRST  
H.TE. OF .. THESIS IS THE  
IFE ... E.TH OF TH...IES  
and the rest of the message can now be read almost at a glance.\*

In practice, therefore, substitution ciphers have been built up of an almost unbelievable complexity; structurally, they are as far removed from the simple substitution cipher as is the motor-car from the wheelbarrow. Their construction may turn, for example, on the use of several alphabets in conjunction; so

that the same word, when coded, may assume a number of quite different forms. Even so, they can generally be solved, given ingenuity, patience, and a sufficiency of material to work on.

In this field, as in others, an incessant struggle goes forward; on the one hand, the search for an absolutely fool-proof cipher; on the other, the perfection of an analytical technique which will lead to the disclosure of its secrets.

\* "The theme of the first chapter of my thesis is the life and death of Thucydides."

## Rounding Up Spies

GREAT Britain has spent something like a million pounds in the past year on Secret Service, and judging by the results to date the nation has got its money's worth.

True to its traditions of secrecy the Department publishes no financial records of where the money goes, but is generally understood that a great proportion of it is earmarked for counter espionage work, the value of which has already been seen in the present war.

Long before September last, the British Intelligence Service, which works hand in hand with the Special Branch at Scotland Yard, was in possession of the names and addresses of all the foreign agents who had been posted in England to discover our most cherished secrets.

Unknown to these agents (and their employers) Yard men were trailing them daily, piling up dossiers of evidence, and in some instances actually seeing that they obtained some scraps of information which might lead them on to greater indiscretions.

This counter espionage work (as in 1914) had its great reward in September this year, when, within a few hours of the outbreak of war, hundreds of active, and potential enemy

agents were safely under armed guard in a huge London hall.

At one blow the British Secret Service shattered the Nazi spy ring in Great Britain, broke up Hitler's Fifth Column and immobilised hundreds of aliens who might be tempted to take on the dangerous job of spy.

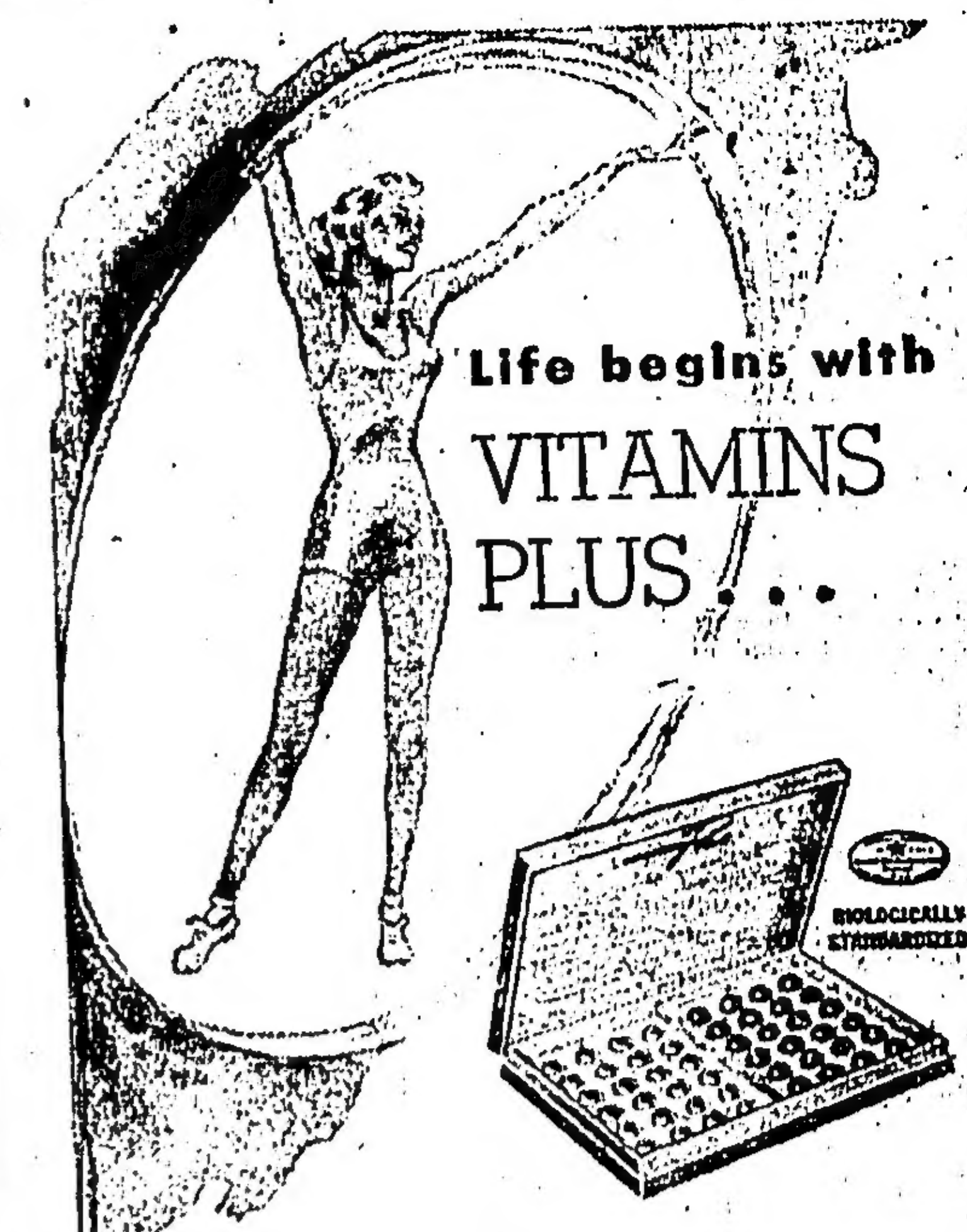
Among the enemy agents already rounded up are members of the Gestapo who were here on the dual mission of spying for the Fatherland and also on their own nationals.

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few days back there was an ugly scene in a northern camp, when enemy aliens discovered some of their fellow prisoners were Gestapo men.

Women agents, couriers, and others who acted as mail relay posts are in British gaols for the duration.

Like the other British agents the Yard men work behind a cloak of secrecy, but it is no national secret that they have garnered in suspects from naval ports, aerodromes, experimental depots and munition plants. But it is highly improbable, albeit! Most real spies are excellent linguists.



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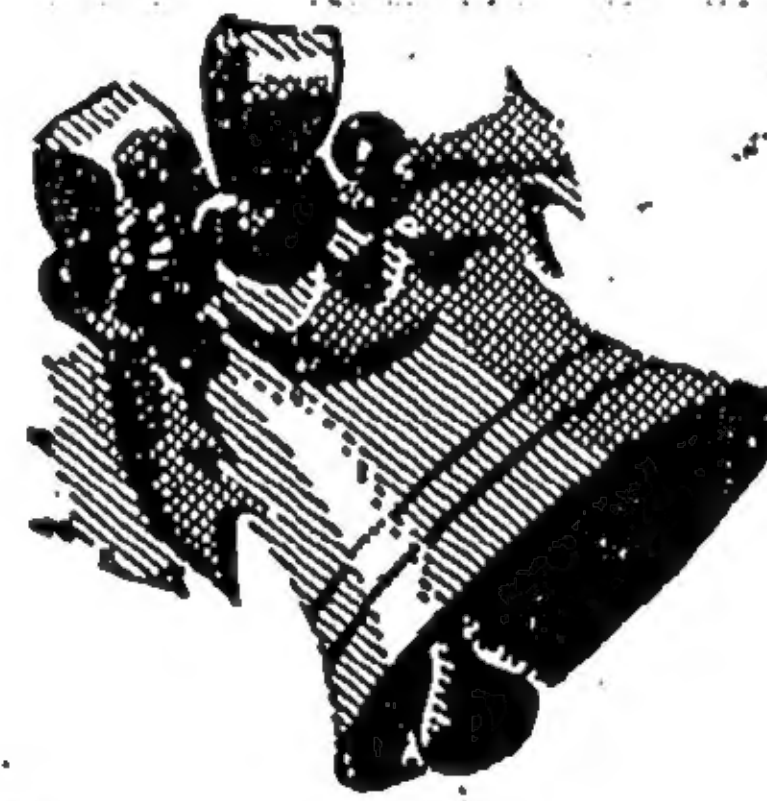
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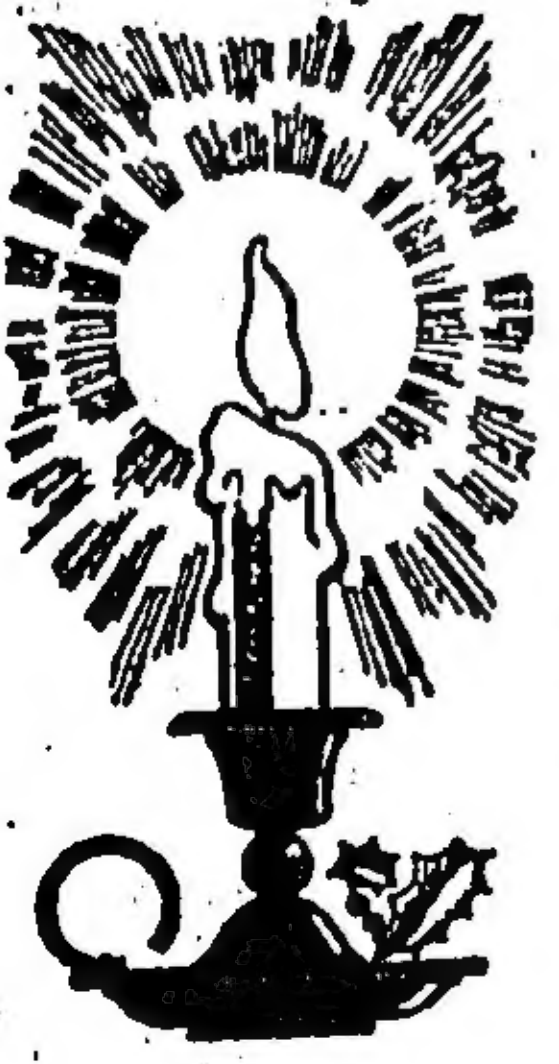
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## BRITISH INDUSTRY IN THE NEW YEAR

LONDON, YESTERDAY.  
THE DIRECTOR OF THE FEDERATION OF BRITISH INDUSTRIES IN A NEW YEAR MESSAGE SAYS: "BRITISH INDUSTRY CAN FACE 1940 WITH CONFIDENCE. ITS RESPONSE TO THE CALL OF WAR HAS AMPLY DEMONSTRATED ITS ADAPTABILITY AND RESOURCE."

"Immediately before the war, trade reached a high level of activity and despite the inevitable difficulties following on the transition from peace to wartime organization, the export situation is improving."

"The great task before us is twofold — first, the supplying of the needs of civil defence and the fighting forces and, secondly, the maintenance, as far as possible, of our home and overseas trade."

Exports have been described as Britain's fourth arm and industry is fully alert to their significance. "I have every confidence that with wise generalship we shall in 1940 advance in that field and thus make our contribution to the success of our cause." — British Wireless.

## RESOURCES 1914-1939

NEW YORK, YESTERDAY.  
A COMPARISON OF THE RESOURCES OF THE BELLIGERENTS TO-DAY WITH THE SITUATION IN 1914, IS MADE BY THE PUBLICATION OF "ECONOMIST," WHICH EXAMINES THE FIGURES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK'S BULLETIN.

It says Britain's holdings in the United States to-day are more than one-third greater than in 1914 and those of France three times as great. German holdings, on the other hand, are one-fifth of the 1914 figures.—Reuter.

## MILITARY SERVICE

LONDON, YESTERDAY.  
A Royal Proclamation will be issued at the New Year to enable the Ministry of Labour to issue registration cards for new age groups for military service.

This does not mean that more men are to be called up immediately, but only saves the issuing of a Royal Proclamation for the calling up of each group.—Reuter.

## PLANES FOR FINLAND

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")  
London, Yesterday.  
Forty British and 20 Italian planes have been incorporated in the Finnish air force, the "Daily Telegraph" states.

The newspaper adds that more planes will be delivered soon, while over 1,000 Finnish trained pilots are ready to receive the craft.—Havas.

Most of the Chinese interned soldiers have now been transferred to their new "home" in Argyle Street. There are about 100 in the camp at Matsuhung, and these will be removed to-morrow morning.

# Turkish Earthquake Disaster Worst Since Yokohama, 1923

## Rescue Workers Fight Through Blizzard To Stricken Zone



Night scenes on the British front in France taken on Dec. 15. The crew of a big gun in their battle equipment with gasmasks, camouflaged with net and foliage and sandbags waiting the order to fire. (Passed By Censor).

## TURKEY'S CLOSE WATCH ON EVENTS IN FINLAND

London, Yesterday.

Although the Turkish press has published little about the war between Finland and Soviet Russia, Turkey is intensely interested in the struggle, and there is no doubt where Turkish sympathies lie, states the Istanbul correspondent of "The Times."

There is, however, another aspect of the struggle to which Turkey attaches supreme importance and which is likely to have a direct influence on future relations between Turkey and the Soviet Government.

It is the apparent rebirth of Russian imperialism, to the exclusion of pacific tendencies and respect for the independence of smaller nations, which has hitherto distinguished the Soviet regime.

Turkey fought for centuries against Russian imperialism, and she will do so again if the need should arise.

With the Soviet Government she has maintained the most friendly relations during the last 15 years.

Now, however, it is being asked in Turkey whether the continuance of the "Russian" policy as illustrated in Poland, the Baltic States and Finland is to be expected, and if the Finnish expedition fails, in what direction Soviet attention will be turned, perhaps in search of easier prey.

**SALUTARY LESSON?**  
Or, it is asked, will Finland have provided a salutary lesson which will bring the Soviet Government back to their former respect for their

## BATTLE ROYAL IN TIENTSIN

Tientsin, Yesterday.  
Rivalling Shanghai's "blood alley," Tientsin's cabaret district was the scene of a free-for-all fight when a group of Italian marines clashed with from 30 to 40 troops of the French garrison.

One Italian military policeman was seriously injured when he endeavored to quell the disturbance, and several others on both sides required first aid.—Reuter.

## QUIET ARMY WEDDING

A quiet wedding was solemnised at St. John's Cathedral yesterday, when Miss Nancy Mary Fairchild became the bride of Lieut. Charles Mervyn D'Arcy-Jrvine of the Durham Light Infantry.

The Dean, the Rev. J. L. Wilson conducted the ceremony. The bride arrived in the Colony from Tientsin where the Durhams were stationed until recently.

Lieut. K. Herman, of the same Regiment, was best man.

A reception was later held at the Gloucester Hotel, and attended by a large number of friends.

## STARTLING REPORT

A sensational but unconfirmed report carried by the vernacular "China Evening News" last night stated that the Japanese are seeking from the French authorities, permission to transport food and materials through French Indo-China to the Kwangsi border.

The report suggested that the Japanese hoped to occupy Lungchow and reach the Indo-China-Kwangsi border, with the object of getting military supplies via Hanoi instead of Linchow.

## CENSUS OF DESTITUTES

A census taken of street-sleepers on the mainland on Christmas Eve reveals that some 1,410 men, 370 women and 247 children, pass the night on the pavements and under staircases.

Most were found in the Mongkok and Yau-mat Districts. There were none in the Tsimshatsui District.

It is understood that accommodation is being arranged to house these homeless very shortly.

## LT. COL. FIELD NOW OUT OF DANGER

The "Sunday Herald" learned last night that the condition of Lieut.-Col. F. D. Field is satisfactory and that he is out of danger.

Lieut.-Col. Field was badly injured when his car crashed into a lamp-post near the R.A.O.C. Depot in Queen's Road East on Friday night.

He is under treatment at the Military Hospital, Bowen Road.

One of the most remarkable best-seller "prophetic" stories ever written, R. C. Sherill's "The Hopkins Manuscript" is being published in serial form by the "China Mail."

## RELIEF TRAINS REACH RUINS OF ERZICAN

ANKARA, YESTERDAY.

NO CLEAR PICTURE OF THE MAGNITUDE OF THE EARTHQUAKE DISASTER IN ANATOLIA CAN YET BE FORMED.

But this much is certain, it is the biggest quake catastrophe since Yokohama, 1923, and while the death-roll is variously estimated at between 40,000 and 110,000, the final figures may reveal casualties exceeding even those of the Japanese disaster.

To-day, after 24 hours of feverish labour clearing the railway line at one point, the first relief train managed to get through to Erzican, where 30 per cent. of the population is believed to have died.

Communications with other stricken zones have not yet been re-established and some roads may remain impassable for weeks.

The relief work is terribly hampered by fierce blizzards in which hundreds who escaped the earthquake are dying hourly.

No effort is being spared to bring succour, however.

President Inönü, General Orbay and the Minister of the Interior were on the first relief train, and General Orbay has been entrusted with primary responsibility for organising relief measures.

**WORK OF MERCY**  
Troops, on work of mercy, are being drafted into the devastated area, which covers at least 60,000 square miles as rapidly as possible.

The International Red Cross has offered its assistance, supplies of all kinds are being sent from Bulgaria, Rumania and Greece, and the General Officer Commanding the British Troops in Egypt is despatching large tents by aeroplane, to furnish covering for the survivors.

New shocks, slight in effect, were experienced to-day and more are foreshadowed.

Every aeroplane which can be turned into service is fighting its way through snowstorms and gales carrying medical supplies and food to Erzican.—Reuter.

## Ruins Still Blazing

Istanbul, Yesterday.  
Primitive communications are being established with the earthquake areas, and from all parts have come urgent pleas for help.

It is stated that the survivors are exposed to bitter cold and unprecedented blizzards of snow and are being decimated.

All hope has been abandoned of rescuing any of those trapped under ruins, which are still blazing throughout the earthquake zone.

Damaged railway tracks are holding up many relief trains.

The country's sympathy for the survivors and grief for the dead is finding practical expression in hosts of volunteers for rescue work, and in the steady flow of relief subscriptions.

## Fresh Tremors

Ankara, Yesterday.  
Fresh earthquake tremors were felt in Turkey to-day.

Violent shocks were experienced in north Anatolia, though no damage is yet to hand regarding the damage.

Meanwhile, King George of Greece has sent a personal message of condolence to President Inönü.—Reuter.

## Latest Estimates Of Casualties

Ankara, Yesterday.  
No estimate of the death-roll is lower than between 40,000 and 45,000. In Erzican, thirty per cent. of the population of 60,000 were killed and an equal number injured. The proportion of casualties is equally high in the surrounding districts.

Three trains have now got through to the ruined city and one hospital train has commenced the return journey to Ankara with badly injured cases on board.

Food, clothing and charcoal for making fires is being dropped by aircraft in the more remote regions, and ships with food and medical supplies are proceeding along the coast. The temperature to-day was well below zero all over the area.—Reuter.

## Balkan Sympathy

All the Balkan countries have been profoundly touched by the catastrophe.

The Rumanian Government has ordered the despatch of £10,000 worth of building materials to replace destroyed buildings.

The Bulgarian Government has ordered the despatch of £5,000

worth of goods and building material.

In Cairo, Major-General Wilson, G.O.C. British troops in Egypt, is co-operating with Prince Mohammed Ali, president of the committee for Turkish earthquake relief, and has also contributed £100 to the relief fund on behalf of the British troops.—Reuter.

## King's Message

London, Yesterday.  
The following message from the King and the Prime Minister has been sent to Ankara.

To the President of the Turkish Republic from the King: "I am deeply shocked, M. le President, by the news of the calamitous earthquake which has inflicted so much sorrow and suffering upon the Turkish people, and I would ask you to accept my assurance of the profound sympathy that is felt by my people at the widespread distress which has been caused through so great loss of life and property."

To the Turkish Prime Minister from Mr. Chamberlain: "The report of the disastrous earthquake in Anatolia has filled me with horror, and I have been much distressed to hear of the large death-roll."

"I hasten to assure Your Excellency of my sympathy with the Turkish people and especially with those who are suffering personally as a result of this tragedy." — British Wireless.

## French Condolences

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Paris, Yesterday.  
President Albert Lebrun has sent a message of condolence to President Inönü in connexion with the earthquake disaster in Anatolia.

King George, the British Government and Mr. Neville Chamberlain have also sent condolences.—Havas.

## Greek Sympathy

Athens, Yesterday.  
King George of Greece's personal message of sympathy mentions "the tragic disaster which has provoked great emotion among the Greek people."

The Greek Red Cross Society has cabled an offer to send a fully equipped unit.

Meanwhile the Government has instructed the Greek Ambassador to Turkey to pay 10,000 Turkish pounds as the first instalment towards the relief fund.—Reuter.

## ROOSEVELT MESSAGE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")  
Washington, Yesterday.  
President Roosevelt has telegraphed condolences to President Inönü of Turkey expressing "deepest regrets."

"The American Red Cross has sent \$10,000 for relief work." — Havas.

## BLOCKADE EXEMPTION

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Mexico City, Yesterday.  
It is officially announced that the British and French Governments have granted Mexico special permission to receive German goods, mainly machinery, for the oil industry, which had been purchased in Germany before the Anglo-French decision to blockade German imports as the result of the German maritime warfare.—Havas.

## SIR JOHN WITHERS PASSES

London, Yesterday.  
The death has occurred at 70 of Sir John Withers, who had represented Cambridge University in Parliament since 1926.—British Wireless.

## SIR JOHN SIMON'S NEW YEAR MESSAGE

London, Yesterday.

"Anyone who studies calmly and impartially the documents now published can see how continuous and sincere were our efforts for peace right up to the last moment," says Sir John Simon, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, in a New Year message to his constituents.

The message adds: "The war was forced upon us because the rulers of Germany were resolved to continue their course of aggression, and everything that has happened since, including the monstrous invasion of Finland, shows that this country's instinct was right."

"Great sacrifices will be involved, greater indeed than some of us yet realise, but there is something in the spirit of free men and women which is undreamed of in the Nazi philosophy, and that spirit, if combined with sacrifice and resolution, is bound to prevail."

"I trust that before another year comes round we may have conclusive evidence that it will be so." — Reuter.

## SHANGHAI MERCHANT GAOLED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

SHANGHAI, YESTERDAY.  
RICE SPECULATION BROUGHT A GAOL TERM TO HUANG JEN-CHIEH, PROMINENT GRAIN MERCHANT, WHOM THE SPECIAL DISTRICT COURT TO-DAY SENTENCED TO 15 DAYS' IMPRISONMENT WITHOUT THE OPTION OF A FINE.

Huang cornered a big consignment of domestic rice, which he tried to sell at prices exceeding those agreed upon by the Chinese Association of rice merchants.

The sentence has aroused great interest, since it was the first criminalisation of the recent promulgation of the S.M.C. threatening rice manipulators "operating business contrary to the Municipal ordinances." — Havas.

## ALLIED PURCHASES IN U.S.A.

Washington, Yesterday.

Great interest was shown by President Roosevelt in the plans of the Anglo-French purchasing board, which were explained to him when he received members of the board yesterday.

The interview was chiefly of a courtesy nature and was attended by Mr. Henry Morgenthau (Secretary of Treasury) and Mr. Harry Collins (of the procurement division of the Treasury, which is responsible for Federal purchases of a non-military character).

The main business of the purchasing board lies with the procurement division, and consists of preventing the board and the Federal Government from bidding competitively against the other and sending up prices artificially.—Reuter.

## AMERICAN CHARGED

AN AMERICAN YOUTH, FRANK BRUCE, 10, WAS CHARGED BEFORE MR. E. HIMS WORTH YESTERDAY WITH STOWING AWAY AND WITH ENTERING THE COLONY WITHOUT A PASSPORT.

It was stated that Bruce arrived from Manila on board a President boat. He was found after she had sailed.

An expulsion order was made against him and he was sentenced to serve one month's imprisonment or until the police have arranged passage for him to Manila, whichever is the less.

## FRENCH SINK ANOTHER U-BOAT

Paris, Yesterday.  
A French warship has sunk a U-boat off the Spanish coast. No further details have been issued.—Reuter.



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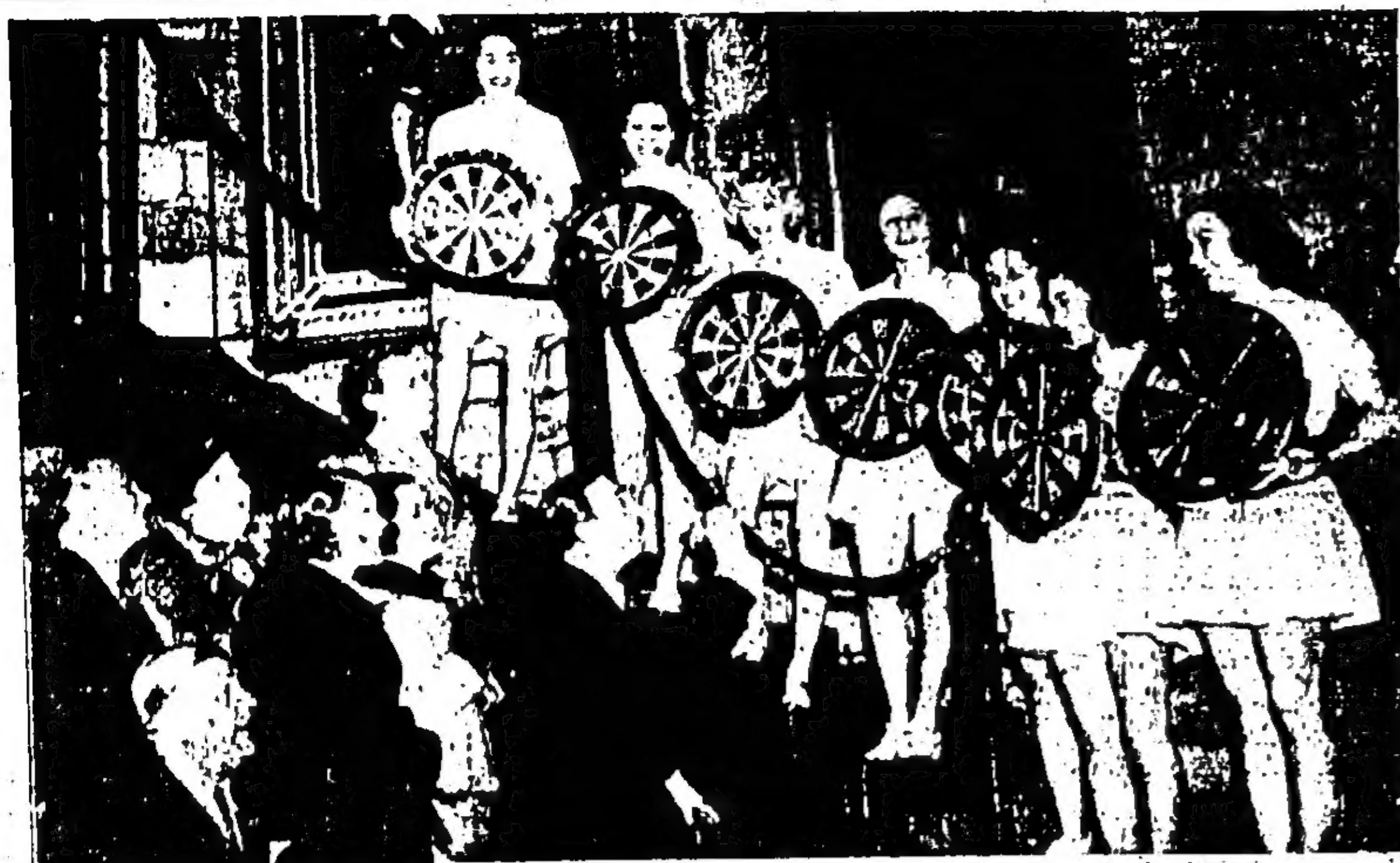
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# MUTINY IN THE RED ARMY

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"ME AND MY GIRL" GO TO FRANCE—The popular show "Me and My Girl" which has been running for so long in London, given to the troops in France in Christmas week. The Victoria Palace was shut for the week and the whole cast went to France. Photo shows Lupino Lane rehearsing some of the chorus for the dashboard dance. (Copyright, Fox).

## DIVINING ROD CORPS FOR HITLER

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Paris, Yesterday.

The publication "Europe Nouvelle" reports that Hitler recently decided to form a special corps as a result of his belief in the divining rod.

Main task of the new technicians would be to discover subterranean streams and determine absolutely dry places for building heavy artillery platforms. —Havas.

## STOMACH SUFFERER AVOIDS OPERATION

Only those who have experienced the agony of an ulcer in the stomach or duodenum can fully appreciate what it means to gain complete relief. So often does this dreaded disorder lead to an operation that when Mr. J. D. gained his freedom, without going on the operating table, his joy can readily be understood. It was quite a simple remedy that freed him, so his letter tells.

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## JAPANESE ARRESTED IN U.S.

Los Angeles, Yesterday. Caught taking photographs of the Fort MacArthur Military Reserve, two Japanese are reported to be held by the Federal authorities pending further investigation.

Their names have been withheld, but one of the men is said to hold a high military ranking. —Reuter.

## BLUE BOOK STILL BEST SELLER

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") LONDON, YESTERDAY.

THE BLUE BOOK DEPICTING THE ORIGINS OF THE WAR IS STILL A BEST SELLER.

Costing a shilling and containing 230 pages, the Book has attained a sales record of 300,000 in the first two months of publication.

It continues to sell on an average of 5,000 a day.

The Book has thus surpassed the record set by Sir John Simon's Report on constitutional reform in India.

Published in 1920, Sir John Simon's Report reached a figure which would have gladdened the heart of any novelist. —Havas.

## VICTORY AT ANY PRICE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Copenhagen, Yesterday.

The Berlin correspondent of the "National Tidende" reports that the consensus of opinion in German political quarters has failed to show a favourable reaction to the Pope's peace proposals.

Berlin political quarters, the correspondent asserts, chiefly emphasise that they will not permit anyone to interfere "with the settlement Germany is making of the Austrian, Czech and Polish problems."

Referring to the Pope's words about the sufferings brought about by the war the same Nazi quarters declare that sufferings do not count and the Reich wishes for victory at any price. —Havas.

## MINISTER'S CHUNGKING MISSION?

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr, is leaving for Chungking tomorrow (Sunday).

The Ambassador will be accompanied by Lady Kerr, Mr. P. M. Broadmead, Counsellor of the Embassy, who is relieving Mr. Hayter as chief of the Diplomatic Mission in Chungking, and Mr. John Alexander, former Consul at Nanking, who is now the Ambassador's private secretary.

Mr. W. J. Keswick, of Jardine's, is also travelling with the party, which will fly to Chungking from Hong Kong.

Though the Ambassador's trip is of a routine nature, considerable interest attaches to it in view of widely published reports that the Tientsin silver question will be among the subjects discussed with the Chinese authorities. —Reuter.

## GERMANS EXPELLED BY N.E.I.

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Amsterdam, Yesterday.

Several Germans have been expelled from the Netherlands East Indies following the recent discovery of an espionage ring in Batavia.

Simultaneously a libel action has been instituted against the editor of a Batavia newspaper, who accused certain officials in the Immigration Department of granting facilities to German spies. —Havas.

## COLD WAVE TAKES SHANGHAI TOLL

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Shanghai, Yesterday.

The cold wave which is sweeping Shanghai, combined with the high cost of living, chiefly of coal and other heating implements, has caused the death of over 100 beggars in the last five days. —Havas.

## TWO BATTALIONS SURRENDER OWING TO HUNGER

Helsinki, Yesterday. REPORTS ARE GAINING ground that the "54 below zero" weather and the shortage of food caused by the cutting of the Leningrad-Murmansk railway line have led to mutiny and rebellion in important units of the Red Army on the Polar Front.

Two battalions, which at full strength are about 1,000 men strong each, surrendered on the Petsamo Front due to extreme hunger, while a Soviet column was reported retreating in disorder, chiefly owing to the shortage of food supplies.

Many Russians are said to be freezing to death in the Far North. Having abandoned their mass tank attacks on the Central and Southern Fronts, the Soviets are said now to have concentrated 150,000 Siberian and Caucasian troops, including large units of Cossacks, on the Karelian front.

Reports from the Salla sector state that Russian airmen have attacked their own troops and that in several cases Russian infantry has turned and given battle to other Soviet companies.

Besides the weather and the food shortage, the Russians are hampered by the daring, circling tactics of the Finnish ski troops, who refuse to meet them in mass combat, but pierce the Soviet lines in narrow columns and harry them from the rear. —Reuter.

## SKI TROOPS CONTINUE SUCCESSSES

Helsinki, Yesterday. Pushing their way into Soviet territory, Finnish ski troops are continuing to battle their way through to the Leningrad-Murmansk railway, driving the Soviets before them. Both columns are moving slowly but steadily forward.

In the Salla sector, another Finnish unit is reported to be driving fleeing Russians across the frontier in a third drive on the railway line. There is reported to be a serious food shortage in the Soviet Murmansk area among both civilians and Soviet troops. The shortage is said to have caused serious disturbances in Murmansk itself.

## FOR THE COLD?

In Helsinki, it is reported that the Russian authorities are now bringing up the troops from Siberia and Caucasus, hoping that they can stand the extreme cold on the Polar Front.

Other reports from the Salla sector state that small units of the Finnish ski troops got behind the Russians and cut Soviet communications, food and supply columns. Reinforcements of Finnish troops in this area indicate the Finnish High Command's intention of driving through to the Murmansk railway at the spot where it passes closest to Finnish soil.

## ANOTHER DRIVE?

On the Suomussalmi sector, Soviet reinforcements would appear to herald another big drive. Finnish circles are confident that any such attempt will fail. In this area, too, Finnish ski troops are said to be operating behind the Soviet lines.

On the Karelian front, the Russians are quiet, save for intermittent artillery activity directed apparently at random on the Mannerheim Line. The aim is bad and the ammunition defective, state Finnish military sources. —Reuter.

## CONFIRMATION IN VARIOUS PRESS DESPATCHES

Copenhagen, Yesterday. Widespread mutiny among Soviet troops on the Polar Front is reported in various press despatches.

The correspondent of the Danish paper "Berlingske Tidende" says that he personally witnessed Soviet aeroplanes flying over the Soviet lines and machine-gunning unruly Soviet troops. He also says that he heard violent machine-gun fire from behind the Soviet lines. —Reuter.

## TWO SWISS PAPERS SUSPENDED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Basle, Yesterday.

The Swiss authorities have suppressed the Nazi newspaper "Neue Basler Zeitung," the editors of which have received large sums of money from the Reich, and have also suppressed the Communist newspaper "Freiheit."

A semi-official comment states that both journals were "prejudicial to Swiss neutrality as not representing Swiss views." —Havas.

## WOMEN IN SOVIET ARMY?

Helsinki, Yesterday. Russian women may take part in the fighting on the Polar Front.

Some 600 Russian women have arrived in Murmansk, presumably for some sort of service. Most of them are Moscow and Leningrad factory workers. —Reuter.

## PREMIER TO SPEAK AT GUILDHALL

London, Yesterday. The Prime Minister will speak at a Guildhall luncheon on January 9. His speech on that occasion will take the place of the usual monthly statement on the progress of the war in the House of Commons. —Reuter.

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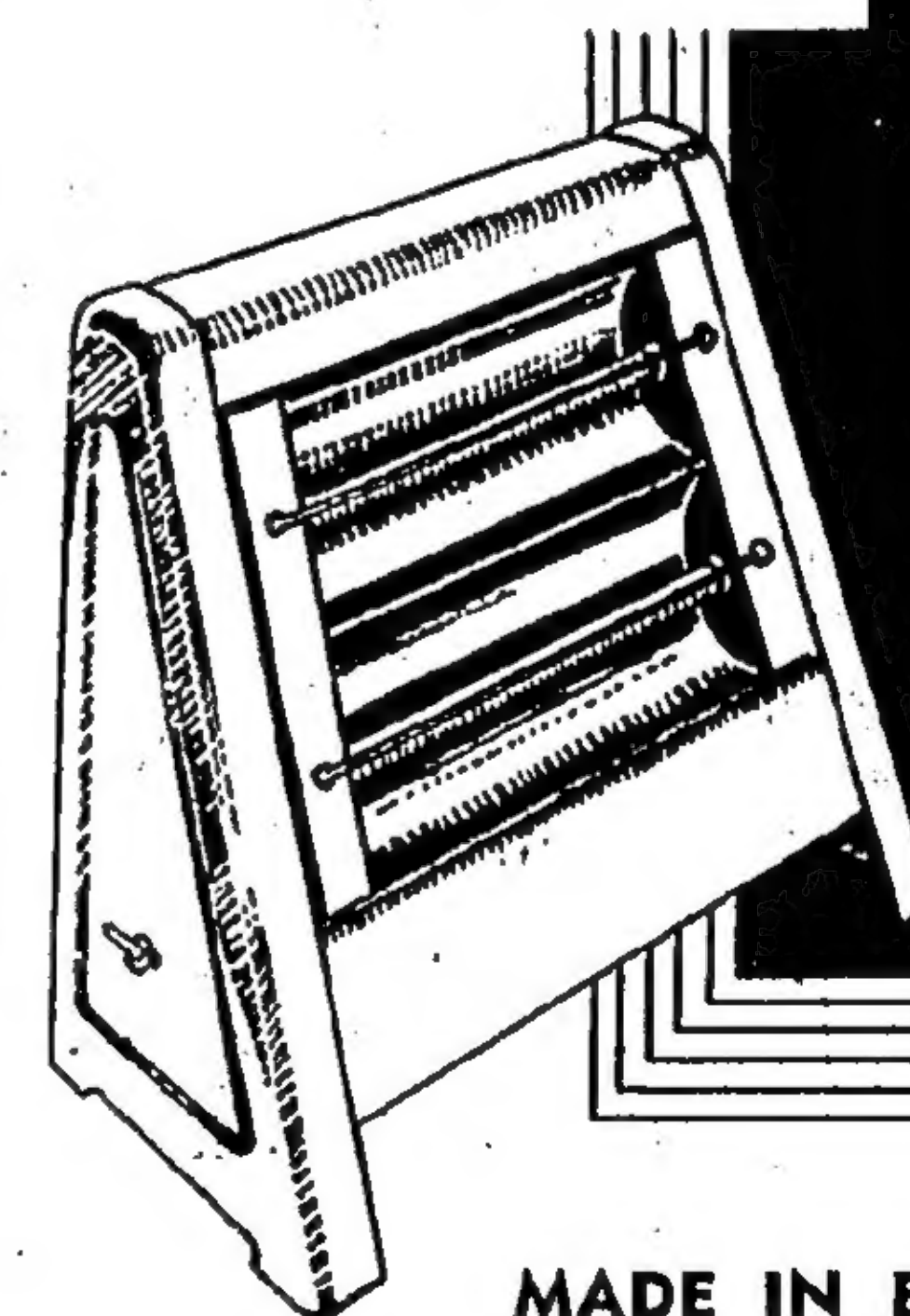
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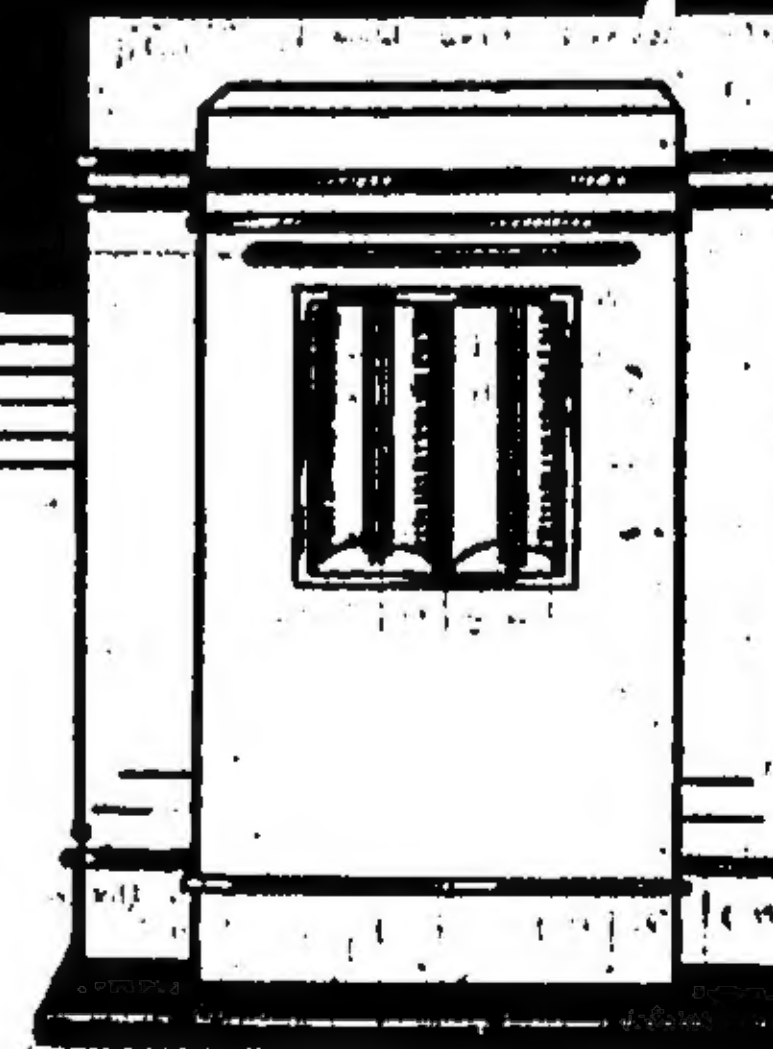
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**PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on TUESDAY, the 2nd day of January, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.**

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| 1931 Ford 18' Coupe                   | 675     |
| 1934 Austin 7' Tourer                 | 750     |
| 1933 Austin 10' Saloon                | 900     |
| 1931 Hudson 18' Saloon                | 350     |
| 1930 Marquette Tourer                 | 195     |
| 1934 Ford V-8 Sedan                   | 1,200   |
| 1939 De Soto Sedan                    | 3,500   |
| 1939 Plymouth Sedan                   | 3,250   |
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| 1934 Plymouth Sedan                   | 1,250   |
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## LOCAL EVENTS OF 1939

### JANUARY

Pasteurisation regulations, governing all milk sold in the Colony, approved.

Hong Kong divided into special warden districts for A.R.P.

Further investigations by the "Sunday Herald" show that a slave trade racket in Hong Kong had much to do with the disturbing growth in the number of children engaged in prostitution in the Colony.

### FEBRUARY

Japanese aeroplanes attack Imperial Airways' machine Delhi; no hits, no damage.

Attorney-General announces Government's intention to provide a new City Hall when the right site is found.

Concentration-camp scheme for short-term prisoners under discussion.

Japanese bomb New Territories, killing an Indian policeman and several Customs officers; they machine-gun refugees and wound several nurses.

### MARCH

Giant Boeing Clipper arrives at Kai Tak on maiden flight.

New system of grading of Senior Clerical and Accounting Staff, to be introduced at early date, announced.

Medical Department announced important nutritional experiments in the Colony's refugee camps.

### APRIL

Registration of British subjects between 18 and 35, in connection with local defence needs, ordered.

P. & O. s.s. Canton and M.M. s.s. Mercantile Joffre collide near Breaker Point.

Douglas S.S. Co.'s s.s. Sagres seized by Japanese.

K.R.A. suggest double-decker buses.

### MAY

Town Planning Board subject of legislation; zoning to be important feature of plans.

Income tax for Hong Kong first discussed.

Japanese warships hold up P. & O. liner Ranpara, and M.M. liner Aramis.

### JUNE

D.B.S. boys on strike as protest against appointment of a Formosan boy to act, temporarily, as Head Prefect.

Cholera registers increase in Colony.

### JULY

A.R.P. Officer announced that gas-masks would be available in Hong Kong for everyone who wanted one. Business in Colony's "Red Light District" described as "worst in several years."

Colony's reservoirs overflow. Labour charter for Hong Kong recommended by the Labour Officer. Local gas-mask factory turns out product held to be an improvement on that manufactured at home.

### AUGUST

"The Colony will be defended to the end," announces Major-General A. E. Grasett, the G.O.C.

H.M.S. Tarantula's commander reprimanded in connection with stranding of ship while he was not on the bridge.

Hong Kong telephone link with Chungking and Manila inaugurated. Decision reached that no air raid shelters will be built in Hong Kong, "because they are impracticable." Japanese troops land at Namtau and cut off Hong Kong from China by lining the border.

### SEPTEMBER

Hong Kong reacts to the news of the declaration of war fairly quietly; all Germans quickly and quietly rounded up.

New defence powers taken by Government.

Plans for Kailong Protection Corps approved.

Food price orders, intended to call a halt to gross profiteering, put into effect. Compradores warned. An effective black-out test held.

### OCTOBER

A German internecine, placed on parole in the Kowloon Hospital, escapes into Chinese territory.

The training of the H.K. Volunteer Defence Force intensified.

Large department stores fined for breaking the food price control regulations.

Battle in the Legislative Council when the income tax was proposed. Daylight saving for Hong Kong proposed.

### NOVEMBER

Increases authorised in food prices; standardised by the Food Controller.

Two members of the Hong Kong steamer New Mathilde drowned; she sank near Kwongchow-wan.

Japanese aeroplanes force Imperial Airways' machine Dardanus down on Welch Island with machine-gun fire.

Chinese reveal more support for income tax.

Volunteer Camp washed out by a typhoon which passed over the Colony, wrecking a number of junks and other small craft, including the "Lido Lady," at Repulse Bay.

### DECEMBER

Over 50 people killed and about 20 were injured in two disastrous fires.

Hong Kong ruled outside the sterling bloc countries and subject to trade restrictions in other parts of the Empire.

# SURPRISE MOVE ON H.K. BORDER

## Withdrawal Of All Japanese Troops Decided Upon



Photo taken in one of the wards of the Royal Naval Hospital on Christmas Day when nurses and patients held an enjoyable Christmas party.

## EVACUATION EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETE TO-DAY

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

OCCUPATION BY JAPANESE TROOPS OF THE ZONE IMMEDIATELY BORDERING HONG KONG TERRITORY IS TO CEASE FROM TO-DAY, THE "SUNDAY HERALD" IS ABLE TO DISCLOSE.

Withdrawal began yesterday morning, with the concentration of the Japanese contingents at Shumchun, ready to proceed to Namtau, where transports are waiting, and the move, which came in the nature of a surprise to all except those in closest touch with the situation, is expected to be completed by this afternoon.

Reason given for the decision of the Japanese military authorities is that the operations recently carried out have achieved their objective, and there is no longer any necessity for maintaining a Japanese military force along the border zone.

### Completion Of Move To-day

The occupation, lasting since August 18, has had the effect of forcing large numbers of refugees into British territory, and their early return to their homelands is now anticipated, in the wake of the Japanese withdrawal.

By sunset yesterday, the entire force stationed at Shataukok had already withdrawn, while those at Shumchun were making final preparations to leave.

The "Sunday Herald" understands that the Hong Kong military authorities were officially notified yesterday morning of the Japanese plan to withdraw from the entire border.

Mr. Oda, Japanese Consul-General, told the "Sunday Herald" last night that the withdrawal is expected to be completed in detail by to-day.

There is no question of the decision having been dictated by Chinese pressure. The troops are required for more important operations elsewhere.

The Police confirm the withdrawal from Shataukok but state that, last night, there still were some Japanese troops at Lo Fong, some five miles from Shataukok.

From other sources, the "Sunday Herald" learned that the planes at the Japanese airfield near Shumchun were flown to Canton on Friday, and that six or seven transports arrived off Namtau on Friday night, to take off the withdrawing troops.

It is thought likely that the troops are being transferred to the Canton-Hankow Line, where the Japanese have launched an offensive northwards.

### "Own Initiative"

A Reuter message from Canton says that the Japanese Consul-General there notified his British colleague of the step taken.

He said: "Out of friendliness towards Britain the Japanese army has evacuated Shumchun on their own initiative."

"However, should the same area again be used by the Chinese as a base of anti-Japanese military operations, or should it become a Chinese supply route the Japanese may re-occupy the area at their own convenience."

guests will be present at the Kowloon Cricket Club this evening for the New Year's Eve fancy dress supper dance. Music will be provided by the band of the Royal Scots, and the dance will start at 9.30 p.m. and finish some time early to-morrow morning!

A dance will also be held at the Craigflower Cricket Club from 9.30 p.m.

The Police Recreation Club is celebrating the New Year with two special functions. At 2 o'clock to-morrow afternoon, a Christmas-New Year's party will be given to the children of members, and this will be followed at 8 p.m. by the annual dance.

The K.F.C. is, as usual, making a special function of New Year's Day.

### THE HOTELS

Meanwhile, at the hotels, the popular New Year's Eve carnivals will be heavily taxed. All four—the Gloucester, Hong Kong, Peninsula and Repulse Bay hotels—will remain open until 3 a.m. The Repulse Bay Hotel is featuring the band of The Royal Scots, and the Hong Kong and Peninsula are providing a cabaret consisting of June West and Kay Mignone and the Six Cripps Graces.

Dance music will be provided by the Continental Orchestra at the Gloucester, while the floor show will be presented by the Plaza Boys and a Brunette and the Duo Pazziano.

Among other New Year functions is one that is being held to-morrow. The Fanling Hunt will meet on the lawn of Fanling Lodge, the residence of His Excellency the Governor, at 2.45 p.m., and Sir Geoffrey will be "At Home."

All in all, Hong Kong's celebration of New Year will be as gay and as full as ever it was, and if there are a few hang-overs—the old phrase still holds good.

### SALE OF CHINESE SAVINGS CERTIFICATES

The Government may shortly give new approval of the sale of Chinese Government Savings Certificates in the Colony by Chinese banks.

Mr. H. R. Butters, Financial Secretary, stated yesterday that the matter was still under consideration, adding that it is "quite possible" that permission will be granted.

## CHINESE TELEGRAM RATES UP

Chungking, Yesterday.

The Ministry of Communications has announced a revision of rates for domestic telegrams in Chinese plain language effective as from January 1st.

The rates for ordinary telegrams to places in the same province will be 12c per word and to places in other provinces 16c, per word instead of 7c and 10c as hitherto.

The rates for urgent telegrams will be double the revised rates for ordinary telegrams, while for government and military telegrams they will be one half and for press telegrams one quarter.—Central News.

## FOUGHT TOOTH AND NAIL!

With a piece of his right ear bitten off, and a large tuft of hair pulled bodily from his head, Hung Sang, 24, a member of the "Chinese Battlefield Ambulance Corps," prosecuted another member at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, charging him with assault.

The youths quarrelled and fought, and Hung Sang came off a bad second best.

Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen, after taking evidence, placed Chan Wai-kwok, 22, the defendant, on a bond to keep the peace for one year and ordered him to pay \$5 compensation.

## VIGILANTE CORPS TO PARADE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Four hundred members of Hong Kong's Peace Preservation Volunteer Corps are to turn out in uniform to-morrow morning (New Year's Day) and parade on the South China Athletic Association ground at Caroline Hill.

The parade will represent the 16 districts on the island and mainland, twenty-five having been selected from each district.

They will parade past, and be inspected by, the Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. T. N. Chou, Mr. Li Tse-fong, and the Hon. Mr. W. M. Thomas Tam.

Sir Robert Kotewall will address the gathering and, in the course of his speech, it is learned, will outline the policy and objects of the Corps. The parade begins at 11 a.m.

## WATER CHARGES IN ARREARS

CHANGES IN THE WATERWORKS ORDINANCE 1933 AUTHORISE, FROM TO-MORROW, THE QUARTERLY COLLECTION, IN ARREARS, OF METER RENTS AND FLUSHING FEES INSTEAD OF ANNUALLY IN ADVANCE.

The changes also authorise the adoption of a minimum charge of one quarter for the above rents, the annual amounts of which have not been changed.

Commencing to-morrow, therefore, the charges for meter rents and flushing fees will be billed quarterly and added to the account for chargeable water.

### THE DEAN'S THANKS

Sir,—I will be grateful if through your columns I could thank all donors of gifts to the Christmas Tree. Individual gifts of money have been acknowledged separately where we have known the donors. Gifts in kind and anonymous gifts of money are hereby acknowledged most gratefully. This year the response has been more generous than ever and we have been able to help through the various societies many poor and needy people who have very greatly appreciated the kindness.

Yours sincerely,  
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## GOVERNOR'S NEW YEAR MESSAGE

The New Year dawns in the early months of another Great War, a war which we British and our French Allies have taken upon ourselves so that the just and secure peace of which His Majesty the King spoke of nobly on Christmas Day may reign in the world. It may well be that before it is won that war will continue for as many years as it has as yet seen months. But won it must be, whatever the cost of life and wealth and comfort; for until the victory for peace, freedom and justice has been gained, war, or the prospect of war will continue to govern our lives.

In that cause then we must withhold nothing in order that, again to quote the King "freedom of spirit may be saved to the world." Only with our hearts so set shall we be able to achieve really and fully the sincere wish which I venture to send to all in the Colony "A Happy New Year."

G. A. S. Northcote.

## H. K. AND THE STERLING BLOC MEETING TO BE HELD

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

PREPARATIONS ARE BEING MADE FOR A REPRESENTATIVE MEETING OF HONG KONG CHINESE MANUFACTURERS TO BE HELD NEXT SATURDAY, IN CONNECTION WITH THE ANNOUNCEMENTS THAT THE COLONY HAS BEEN RULED OUTSIDE THE STERLING BLOC COUNTRIES AND IS SUBJECT TO TRADE RESTRICTIONS IN OTHER PARTS OF THE EMPIRE, ESPECIALLY SINGAPORE.

The Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce has not yet taken the matter up, but the Hong Kong Chinese Manufacturers' Union, members of which are affected, has been requested to take steps for an appeal to the Singapore authorities to give exports from Hong Kong favourable consideration.

It is understood that the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce will be represented at the meeting next Saturday.

### HIGHWAY ROBBERY

A Chinese woman and a girl were held up by four highwaymen, one armed with a revolver, on a hillside in Kowloon City at 2.45 p.m. yesterday.

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# "The Five Principles In A Reconstituted Europe" Vatican And The War

One of the most important events of the past week has been the announcement by the Pope of the five principles which he considers must be enforced in a reconstituted Europe.

As in his previous Encyclical he denounces the demand of the state for the undivided allegiance of its citizens, human personality is a sacred thing, and can only reach the fullness of its power if the individual has freedom to worship in accordance with the tenets of the Church to which he belongs. The state cannot force free men in this matter to accept dictation from the state.

To consider the State as something ultimate and subordinating everything else to it cannot fail to harm the true and lasting prosperity of nations.

The message goes on to state that there are two basic errors to-day. The first is forgetfulness of the law of human solidarity and charity, and the second is the attempt to divorce civil authority from dependence on a Supreme Being. The second statement was contained in a Xmas message to the College of Cardinals. After denouncing the atrocities and the use of means of destruction against non-combatants, he added that the contempt of liberty and

## The Five Points

Five points are then laid down as foundations for a just and lasting peace. Firstly, the assurance of independence of all nations. Secondly, the end of the armaments race, thirdly, that juridical institutions must guarantee that the loyal and lawful application of an agreement is of supreme importance to the honourable acceptance of a peace treaty. Fourthly, the needs and just demands of nations and peoples must be particularly considered. Fifthly, that those who govern peoples must be imbued with the sense of their responsibility.

No one in the Allied nations and among the democratic nations would challenge one word in either of these two statements. In fact they might be regarded as a statement of the Allied aim.

Why has the Pope been able to come out on this side? It is not necessary to consider the movements in Europe during the past twenty odd years to see what has happened. In the first place the Russian revolution of 1917 had for one of its cardinal aims the abolition of all Christian teaching, and the substitution of the new doctrine of Bolshevism as being all-sufficing. No improved social legislation, no extension of educational facilities, and no release of the masses from the oppression of the Czarist form of government could reconcile such countries as Spain and Italy to the Soviet system. It was in their eyes fundamentally bad because it had swept away the one great principle that gave Europe its sense of belonging together.

## Hitlerism And Bolshevism

But the greatest opponent of Bolshevism was Hitler himself, who never lost an opportunity of proclaiming those who supported it as the enemy of mankind and certainly of Germany.

Yet while denouncing it he definitely moved towards it until as Harold Nicholson says, the only difference he could see between Nazism and Bolshevism was that between Marks and Spencer and Woolworths.

What is Hitler's record for example with regard to religion? Let us examine it.

In 1933, Herr Hitler concluded a Concordat with the Vatican. Article 4 of this treaty provides that instructions, ordinances, pastoral letters etc. may be published freely. For years the secret police in Germany have taken effective steps to prevent the publication of any pastoral letters in the Reich. Article 5 of the treaty provides that ecclesiastics shall enjoy the protection of the state to the same degree as officials of the state. Nevertheless, the Pope, Catholic bishops and priests, continue week by week to be the victims of the most scurrilous attacks in German newspapers. Article 23 provides that the maintenance of the Catholic confessional schools and the erection of new buildings are guaranteed. These schools have been abolished by the order of the state. Article 31 provides that care will be taken that

members of juvenile organisations regularly fulfil their religious duties on Sundays.

## Hitler Youth And Catholics

It is notorious that in Germany to-day steps are taken by the leaders of the Hitler Youth Movement to prevent Catholic members from fulfilling their religious obligations. In a word, almost every right enjoyed by the Catholic Church under the Concordat has been cruelly destroyed by the German Government.

The so-called new positive foundation in Bohemia and Moravia is the positive Christianity of the Third Reich. It is clear that the Catholics there are being treated on the same footing as Catholics in the Reich and no further evidence is required of their persecution.

It is especially significant that the Pope has received a visit from King Victor Emmanuel and that he has for the first time since 1870 paid a visit to the King in the Quirinal.

It is significant that President Roosevelt sent his appeal for peace in August to the King of Italy, and has now sent a personal representative in the person of Mr. Myron Taylor to the Vatican. Recently he sent a Xmas greeting to King Victor also

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—absolutely in accordance with diplomatic procedure. These acts, however, do suggest something more.

Do these events mark a new orientation in the policy of Italy and perhaps a return to the old and tried traditions? One fixed principle of Italian statesmanship was 'war with anybody but never with England.'

Since the Rome-Berlin Axis was consolidated, and because it was consolidated, Hitler has annexed Austria, seized Czechoslovakia and devastated Poland. Each one of these states was strongly Catholic and owed active allegiance to the Vatican. During the same period Mussolini was able to announce to the Fascist Council the addition of Albania—a Mohammedan state—to the Empire of Italy.

## Reich Policy

The Vatican has lost three most powerful Catholic groups since, as we have seen the treatment meted out to the members of the Catholic Church in these states now annexed to Germany differs in no whit from the kind of treatment received by the Catholic communities in Germany itself. Whatever lingering doubt there may have been about German policy in this matter is now removed, for the religious policy of the Third Reich must, like its political and social policy, approximate more closely to that of the Soviet regime.

On February 11th this year the "Volksischer Beobachter", a newspaper owned by Herr Hitler, made the following statement:

"Neither German National-Socialism nor Italian Fascism are in a position to allow a 'super-national'

## H.N. Brailsford ANSWERS CRITICS

My last article brought me a shoal of letters, which, to my regret, I cannot answer singly. With some points raised in these letters I will deal briefly here.

(1) It is, of course, true that Russia, in demanding military control over the Baltic States and Finland, was seeking to protect herself against a possible German invasion in the future. It is also true, as I have pointed out, that the independent sovereignty of these States was little more than a polite fiction.

Does that excuse what Stalin has done? Would we be justified, on a similar plea, in demanding military control over Belgium and Holland and enforcing our demand by war? The parallel is exact.

(2) Most of these letters ignore the fact that the Finns were prepared to cede several islands and part of the Karelian Isthmus, in order to strengthen the defences of Leningrad. But they would not yield Hango or Petsamo.

The rich nickel mine of the latter place is not essential to Russia's safety.

(3) My correspondents all remind me that there was, many a long year ago, a White Terror in Finland, and Finland passed through a phase of Fascist reaction.

All this is true; but it is equally true that Democracy has since scored a complete success, and that the Government which Stalin attacked is legitimate, representative, and progressive.

power like that of Popery to interfere with those spheres of national life which, according to natural law, are reserved to the political leaderships which represent the community of the Volk."

What has happened then in Italy during the past fortnight is that King Victor Emmanuel, a strong supporter of the Church, has been called forth as it were from his political seclusion and invited to co-operate with the Pope in his campaign for a Europe ruled not on Totalitarian principles, but on the old and tried principles.

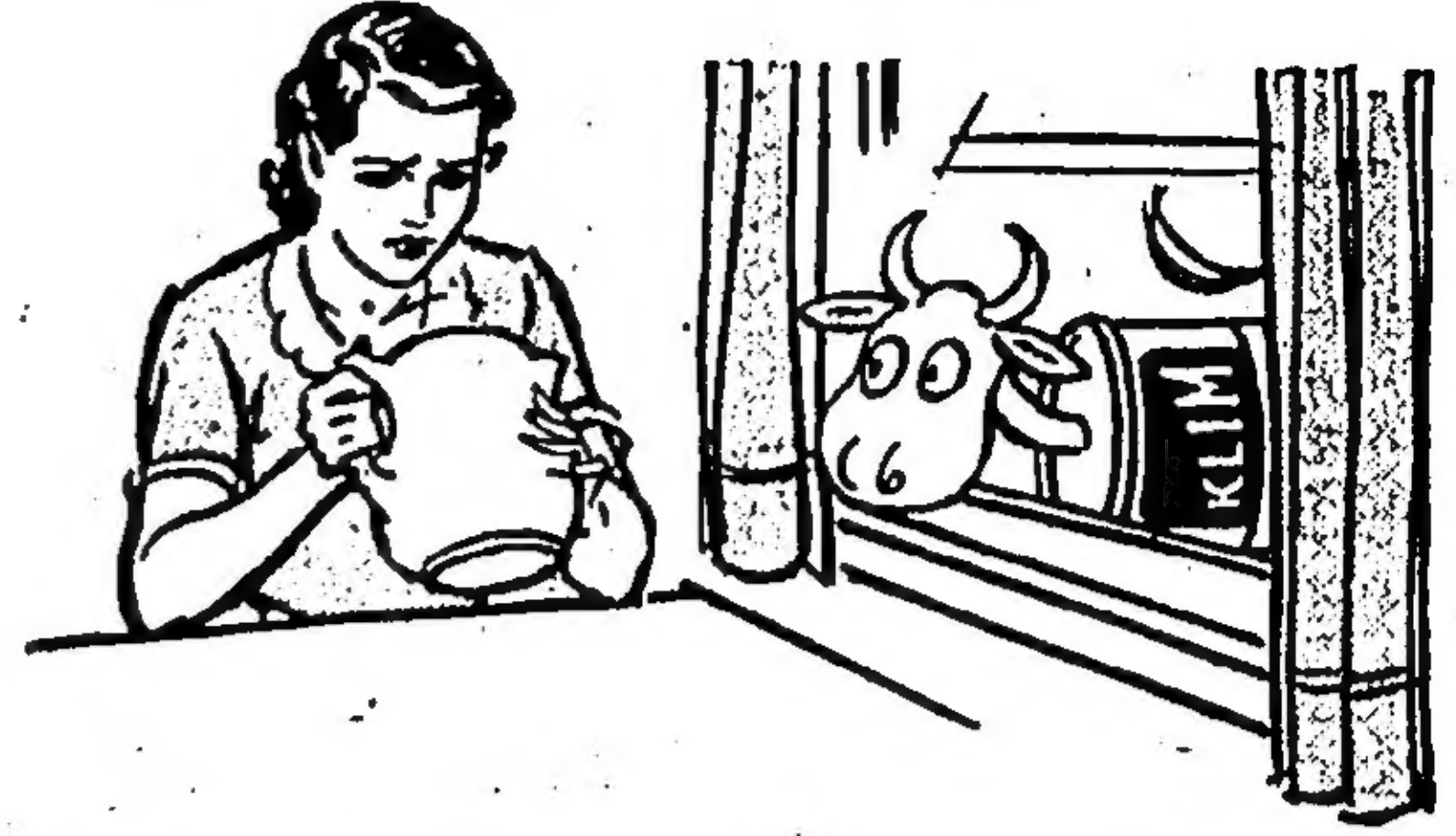
## Influence Of The Church

It is obvious that Italy's violent opposition to Bolshevism was largely due to the influence of the Church, in the eyes of which Germany was only slightly less guilty than Russia, and now that Germany has been embraced by Russia there is no justification for maintaining the Axis at all. For the Pope, if not for Mussolini, the issue is quite clear. There has been nothing but disaster for the Church since the Axis came into existence, while for Italy the gains which have accrued are hardly balanced by the disadvantages which have followed. Though Italy is making very great profits through the state of war in Europe, her political isolation is not to be envied.

It is clear that the Pope's Encyclical and address to the cardinals at Xmas will have a profound effect on Italian policy by lending it away from the support of that state which is clearly antagonistic to the Church and towards that system which stands for individual rights, the sanctity of treaties and the independence of small states.

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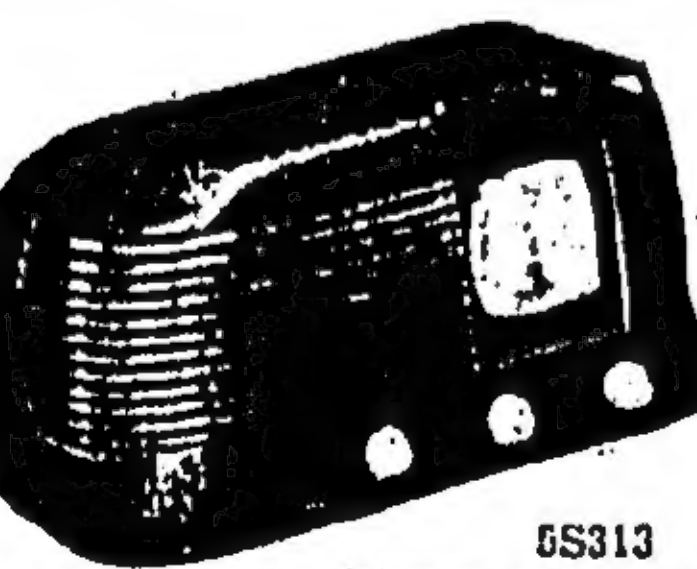
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## Abe Cabinet Rejecting "Invitation" To Resign WANG REGIME SOON TO BE ESTABLISHED

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

Tokyo, Yesterday.

The Premier General Abe, at a press conference yesterday, said his Government has no intention of resigning, despite the resolution of members of the House of Representatives.

On the contrary, the Cabinet intends to go ahead with its task of establishing the new regime in China and effecting a settlement of other issues.

The new regime in China, with Wang Ching-wei at its head, will be established in the near future,



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## HOW B.E.F. DEALS WITH ITS "NAUGHTY BOYS"

(By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

Somewhere in France.  
Our Expeditionary Force in France is probably the most serious-minded British Army that has gone to war since the days of Cromwell.

But no army ever existed in which there were not a few naughty boys, and to-day I saw something of how this Army deals with them.

The words "a few naughty boys" are used deliberately. There are very few; one cannot give figures, but the percentage is almost unbelievably low.

Of those few, the majority are boys in their early twenties, and their offences for the most part are mere naughtiness, though it is of a kind which cannot be allowed in a disciplined force. They get some unfamiliar drink in them and tell the sergeant what they think of him, or give an unloved face the push for which in their opinion it has long been asking. The penalty is so many days of field punishment, and they serve it in a field-punishment camp.

**CLEANLINESS AND DISCIPLINE**  
The days of semi-barbarous field punishment in our Army are over.

In the camp which I saw to-day the process of correction is not deterrent but educative. It is realised that a young first offender can be turned into as good a soldier as anybody else.

In most field-punishment camps the prisoners sleep in single rooms, which are called rooms, not cells. This particular camp is one only in name, for it is a building in a considerable city, and in it the men sleep in dormitories. The rooms are spotlessly clean; one has never seen kit so neatly arranged or floors so well scrubbed. That is one aspect of the reformatory process. Cleanliness is drilled into the offender from the moment he enters the camp; incidentally, the washing of his own clothes is part of the routine.

The inculcation of cleanliness is only part of an extremely rigorous training in discipline. Hand in hand with this goes military training. There are no fatigues for fatigue's sake. When the normal work of keeping the camp in order has been done the rest of the working day is spent in drills, lectures, or other forms of military education.

**A FINANCIAL PENALTY**  
The inmates of the camp are treated as soldiers, not as prisoners. They eat the normal Army rations and they can write letters home without any address or note on the paper which betrays the fact that they are in the camp. They lose their pay (but not their allowances) during their period of punishment, which is often a hardship to them. This is a useful argument in persuading the men not to make fools of themselves again. They can have books and papers.

What they undergo, in short, is not retributive punishment but an extremely strict course of military training. It is not pleasant to be in a field-punishment camp, but it is neither degrading nor time-wasting. The great majority of men leave the camp as good soldiers and give no more trouble.

## POWER RATES INCREASED

London, Yesterday.  
An increase in the price of commercial electricity has been notified to many firms in the Central and West End districts by Central London Electricity Ltd., suppliers for a wide area north of the Thames from the City to Brompton.

The increased charges are made from the date of the meter-reading for the fourth quarter of 1939, and comprise an increase of 40 per cent. in the quarterly fixed charge, together with an increased charge from 1/4d per unit to 3/4d per unit consumed, or 50 per cent. per unit.

On behalf of the electricity company it is stated in a circular to firms affected that the area of supply is one where it is not possible to obtain any increase in industrial load due to armament production or other war-time activities, and it is this area which has suffered most from war conditions.

Other London supply authorities are considering their position and an all-round increase in price is expected. Of nearly 600 public and private electricity suppliers in the country only about 30 have so far increased their charges.—Our Own Correspondent.

## HOLLAND'S DEFENCE

Amsterdam, Yesterday.  
The Minister of Defence has announced in the Second Chamber that between April and June the greater part of men liable to extraordinary military service of the classes 1938, 1939 and 1940 will be called up. They will replace the oldest classes at present serving with the Colours.—Havas.

Vicount Rothermere has presented £1,000 worth of playing cards to be distributed among ratings of all classes of R.M. ships, including armed merchant cruisers and trawlers.

## SADIE OF BOLIVAR WEDS IN SECRET

London, Yesterday.

Sister Sadie Ogilvie, the 25-years-old Scottish nurse whose heroism in the Simon Bolivar disaster thrilled Britain, was married at Carnarvon just before Christmas—to her fellow survivor Mr. Charles Bridgwood, a young Leeds engineer.

Sister Sadie met Mr. Bridgwood in the liner's smoke-room only a few hours before the Simon Bolivar was mined. They were talking together when the first explosion rocked the vessel.

The wedding took place at the Castle-square English Presbyterian Church, and was kept secret.

Only the bride's sister and her husband, whose home is in Carnarvon were present.

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When the Simon Bolivar went down Sister Sadie and Mr. Bridgwood became separated. She went to help the children; he waded through a flooded saloon to save an injured woman.

Sister Sadie, with three children, was able to get into a lifeboat. At once she began caring for the injured.

She tore her dress in strips to make bandages broke up an old box and used the pieces as splints.

Her next meeting with Mr. Bridgwood, who had been picked up, was in the rescue station ashore, where she was still at work giving first-aid. They had only the clothes they wore, but Mr. Bridgwood still had some money in his wallet.

In borrowed clothes—Sister Sadie wore a coat much too big for her—they travelled to his home in Cross-gates, Leeds. And to celebrate their escape, they travelled first class.—Our Own Correspondent.

Baron Buratta, a leader of the Hungarian party in Slovakia, has been arrested and placed in a concentration camp at Ilava.

Twenty-seven Dutch Nazis, carrying out military training in an underground room, were arrested by The Hague police.

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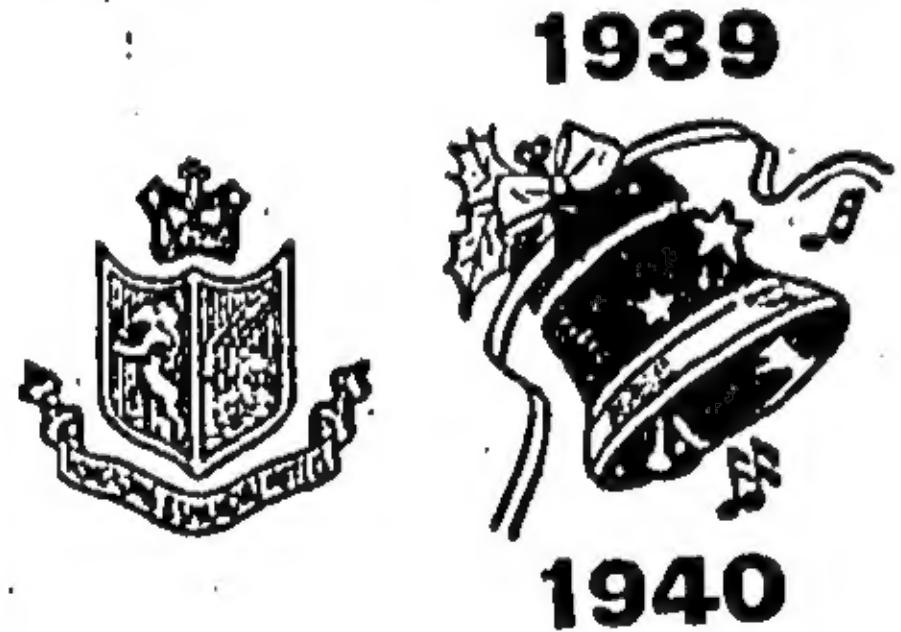
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# Make No Mistake, We Shall Get Many People Saying, "Let's Make Peace With Hitler Now" Was This Hitler's Big Mistake?

STALIN becomes the master-pupil of Hitlerism. He may in the end prove the master of Hitler's undoing. Using Hitler's technique he invades tiny Finland with his mighty forces.

In face of this new situation which has developed before the war in the West has properly started, we may question ourselves. What is it to be: Stalin and Hitler? Stalin or Hitler? Are they rivals or partners? The Prime Minister's repeated declarations of war policy cover them both, but does not name Russia. Britain's policy is to end aggression in Europe so that all States, large and small, can live in peace and security.

Obviously, Hitler agreed that Stalin should extend his sphere of influence in the Baltic to cover Finland. This would suggest partnership. Yet why did Hitler make this

costly bargain with Stalin? Was it because he thought he might frighten Britain and France into an early peace, after which he could strengthen Germany's position sufficiently to force Stalin back at a later period?

There are many signs of genuine anxiety in Germany among those who watch Stalin's paw closing over the Baltic. This anxiety is largely due to lack of knowledge of Hitler's real policy.

Hitler may have hopes of rallying Europe against Stalin by a swift return of his original hate of Communism. Hitler is capable of this.

By such a policy Hitler could quickly repair the Rome-Berlin axis, and win Mussolini to his side as a useful ally to bring diplomatic pressure to bear on the rest of Europe.

Stalin's cynical adoption of Nazi methods suggests that this possibility is what he fears most, and, therefore, he is protecting himself against it as best he can. He is closing a gap in Finland.

**Searching For Success**

If this is a true reflection of Stalin's policy, Europe has become his bogey, and not Stalin Europe's bogey. Stalin is said to have been frightened by the talk of a Monarchist revival in Germany.

I am told that at the moment there is little chance of this happening.

Actually, Hitler is seeking every means to preserve himself. The first three months of the war have not gone as he expected. He is frantically searching round for success, and to win success he will adopt any method.

But in these speculations, don't let us blind ourselves to the fact that if Hitler and Stalin are real partners they are a great danger to the whole world, for they might persuade Japan to join them. Japan and Russia are

already said to be discussing sharing sphere of influence in China.

If an agreement is reached Japan would then be able to liquidate her costly campaign in China and concern herself more closely with the Pacific.

Such a development would, of course, create a difficult position for the United States. The United States has been deeply stirred by the attack on Finland, and she maintains a deep sympathy for the struggle with which Britain and France are faced.

But the sympathy of the United States is nothing more than emotional. Before the present situation developed an unhappy American was cracked to me the position of his country in this way: "We are 99 per cent. for Allies, but we are also 99 per cent. against becoming involved ourselves."

A firm partnership between Germany and Russia might be a deciding factor for the United States.

But who would be the master of such a partnership? Hitler could not take orders from Stalin. He wants world domination for Germany, and nothing less. Stalin could not trust Hitler. They would not be able to agree for very long.

Eventually their greed for power must be their joint or individual undoing. Stalin may have dreams of being a greater Peter the Great. But one cannot see him as an empire-builder. Since when did Russia win a war? Stalin may have done a lot to establish his power in Russia. But mostly he has achieved this by killing off his enemies. Are they all dead?

Is his position so secure that he can set off on an imperialistic campaign with the risk of bringing the whole world against Soviet Russia? Mobilisation for the Polish campaign is said to have strained the resources of Soviet Russia. What will the Finnish campaign cost her? From our point of view this expenditure of Russian resources has an advantageous side. It will make it difficult for Stalin to assist Hitler.

**Stalin's Only Hope**

In ten years' time Stalin might be dangerous to Europe and the world, but not now. His only hope of creating a dominant position for Soviet Russia is still by Communist infiltration. Not by conquest. Communists stand by Stalin in the various capitals of the world, although they do not understand his policy.

If Stalin were an empire-builder the invasion of Finland would be the beginning of a march into Scandinavia, which must result in a close

**BY WILSON  
BROADBENT**

ing in on Hitler. This would be a real encirclement of Germany with Britain and France standing to their arms in the West.

In undertaking such a campaign, Stalin would be inviting Hitler to turn on him. When he ponders on the past, Stalin must fear Hitler more than Britain and France. He does.

The measure of this fear is that Stalin has not uprooted the old Russian frontier which divided the former Polish State. Instead he is building a new frontier-line on the agreed line of demarcation arranged with the Germans. Thus Stalin is creating his own buffer-State against Germany in Poland.

Therefore I accept the version of Stalin's policy given by Mr. William Gallacher, his Communist spokesman in the House of Commons. Mr. Gallacher says that Stalin is merely following the argument once advanced by Lord (then Mr.) Baldwin, when he said in relation to Germany that Britain's frontier was the Rhine.

The Baltic, said Mr. Gallacher, is Stalin's frontier. Stalin's fear of Germany does not mean, however, that he is likely to cease co-operation with her. He will obviously co-operate with Hitler as long as the Fuehrer's internal position can stand it.

How long can that be? Already there are fresh rumblings in the German Army, created by this selling-out of German influence in the Baltic. Russia's advance into Finland may ultimately prove to be Hitler's big mistake. Hitler could, however, wriggle out of this quite easily by sacking Ribbentrop, whose policy becomes more unpopular. By this means Hitler might save himself for a time and use the situation in an attempt to re-establish Germany in Europe without fighting a fierce war against Britain and France.

For, make no mistake, we shall get many people saying, "Let's make peace with Hitler now." German propaganda in France and Britain has been prepared for such an eventuality. The new peace offensive may come in the form of an invitation to crusade against Communism.

Such a crusade would launch Hitler to immense power, and afterwards it would lead almost certainly to an uneasy peace, because Hitler can never give up his idea of world domination.

## Is Defence Master of Attack?

The Maginot Line defends the fields of Kent and Sussex, as surely as though its superb fortifications stood upon English soil.

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They have relieved French troops in the portion of the Maginot Line which guards the Franco-German frontier, or at any rate in the out-post zone which covers it.

I do not suppose that the French foreign troops who man the main works where French weapons are mounted and French munition reserves are stored, have been relieved.

For they are special troops who in peace and in war have particular posts assigned to them.

But French and British troops are mingled, under a French Command, in a position of vital importance.

**By General Sir  
Charles GWYNN**

No more striking evidence of the unity of the two armies and of their mutual confidence in each other could be given.

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**FRANCE GUARDS THE GATE**

All Britain knows that, with German guns in position along the Northwest Coast of France and with its ports in German possession, the British Navy and Air Force and anti-aircraft defences could with difficulty secure our food supplies and protect our cities from bombing raids.

British security depends on the security of France. It is therefore a military necessity to ensure that France is sufficiently strong to meet attack. But apart from that the Maginot Line is a token acknowledgment of the debt Britain owes to France for the immense efforts she herself has made to guarantee her security and therefore Britain's.

Ponder the vital contribution of France to the national existence of her sister democracy north of the Channel.

As in 1914 she has been guarding the gate while Britain has been putting on her armour.

She has spent a fortune on the construction of the Maginot Line. She has maintained some 600,000 men under arms during years of peace.

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has imposed 2 years' and later 27 months' conscript service on her manpower. In war she has from 4 to 5 million trained men with which to maintain the struggle and she has to provide arms and equipment for them.

She maintains a navy of a strength that stands to the British in the ratio of 3 to 5.

She maintains an air force which till recently was considerably greater than the British.

All these are assets in a common security. Nor does Britain forget, in examining the extent of the French effort, the immense amount of labour which has been diverted from productive industry.

Now the British turn has come to share in ensuring the safety of France.

Britain thus acknowledges the debt owed France. She counts it a privilege to share the sacrifices the future will bring them both in defending what is, after all, a common frontier.

I do not minimise the efforts Britain now makes. But I cannot forget that it is mainly through the efforts France has made in the past that Britain has been given time in which to make them.

**IS DEFENCE THE MASTER OF ATTACK?**

In this connection I will say a word about the modern doctrine that the defence has completely outdistanced the attack on land.

For this doctrine has sometimes been used to support the suggestion that a small British army in France will do well enough.

That argument is of course based on the doctrine that modern weapons have conferred such power on the defence that France, a nation of 40 millions, could successfully resist the attack of the Armies of a nation of 80 millions.

It ignores, however, the immense losses France would suffer in resisting attack and the danger of an exhaustion of her strength in a prolonged struggle.

It also ignores the fact that the power of defence is an important weapon in the armoury of an aggressor of superior strength who holds the initiative.

For it enables him to concentrate his superiority of force at a selected front of attack, and to employ a minimum number of troops in those parts of the arena where he elects to stand on the defensive.

The theory that offensive action can only be successful if, at least, a three to one superiority of numbers exists cannot be applied to the total numerical strength of the opponents.

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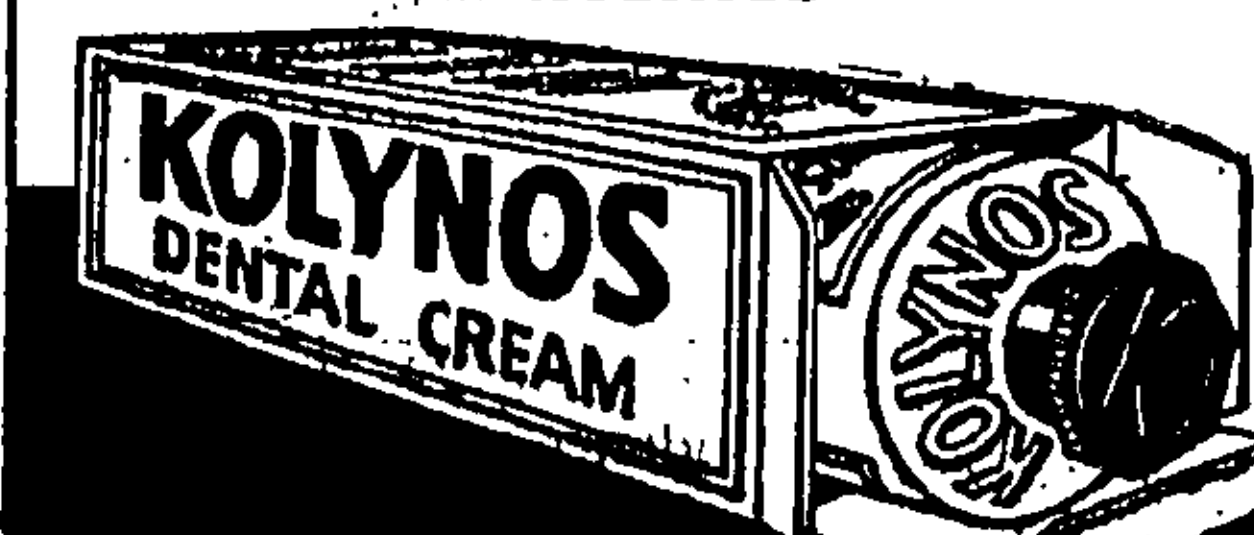
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## WHAT WILL IT BRING?

"A NEW YEAR is at hand and we cannot tell what it will bring. If it brings peace, how thankful we shall be. If it brings continued struggle, we shall remain undaunted."

Those simple phrases of His Majesty the King, in his broadcast to the Empire last Monday, embody the thought of the majority of us as 1939 speeds to its appointed end. The custom at this time of reviewing the events, the good and bad, of the dying year, to analyse their lesson for that about to dawn, is reduced, in the grim circumstances, to a formality. For four months there has been only one subject in our hearts and minds—the war—and it will continue to absorb all our energies.

It is perhaps on the nature of the coming campaign that speculation, this day of rumination, most readily turns. What Captain Liddell Hart has called "The Fog of War" continues to wrap strategy in an impenetrable veil. At any moment before winter intervened on the Western Front it seemed possible that the haze might be violently rent by a German offensive, directed against either the Maginot Line or the Lowlands neutrals.

Now the reign of snow and mud and slush may be supposed to offer sufficient explanation of the inaction. "The fortress war," as Mr. Hore-Belisha describes it, cannot, however, persist indefinitely. Wars are not won by armies sitting down behind their "impregnable" lines, to the deterioration of their fighting spirit and the exhaustion of civilian resources. Sooner or later the enemy has to be beaten in the field.

Allied opinion, perhaps, has been too ready to assume that Hitler is bound to attack. Major-General Sir Charles Gwynn, in an acute analysis of the alternatives available to Hitler, suggests that a defensive war in the West would be the logical continuation of the "limited objective" policy which he has pursued for years. The one thing certain, Sir Charles Gwynn maintains, is that "if the enemy does not attack we are bound to attack him," not by blind frontal assaults on the Siegfried Line, but by repeated, carefully controlled advances with limited objectives—a true war of attrition, in fact.

It is only by thus forcing Germany to expend her resources, including her inadequate supplies of oil, that full value can be derived from the strangling pressure of sea-power.

Any idea that this war can be won without real fighting—that Hitler's Reich is destined to early collapse from within—is a dangerous delusion.

Undoubtedly there are weaknesses in the Nazi structure, but only reverses and privations are likely to turn them to fatal account.

It is not on "easy hopes or lies" that the belief of Britain and France in the triumph of their arms can be founded, but on the maximum of effort and sacrifice in every part of the Empire, including Hong Kong.

Events may occur to change the shape of the war; but our real reliance must be on our strength, our fortitude, and our conviction that only through the defeat of Nazi Germany can peace and freedom survive in Europe and the day again dawn when it is possible to extend the greeting "A Happy New Year" in joyous hope and confidence.

The new impulse given by Christmas-tide to the movement among leaders of world opinion for international peace and a better world order struck a responsive chord everywhere outside Germany; where it was not misconstrued. Neither Pope Pius XII nor President Roosevelt envisaged any new initiative at this stage with the hope of bringing to an end the hostilities in Europe. The operative clause in the Address to the College of Cardinals was "an opportune moment" and President Roosevelt was careful to stress that the formulation of "a specific plan" was not in present circumstances possible.

## Germany Freezes

Germany's reception of the Pope's peace message was frigidly cold. There was too much in it about acts incompatible with international and natural law and humanity revealing "how much the juridical sense has been distorted by totalitarian considerations." His five points for a just and honourable peace would demand the surrender, at least to the principle of self-determination, of the ill-gotten gains of Germany in pursuit of the ruthless Nazi policy of expansion in Europe. The attitude adopted was that things had now gone too far and weapons must now decide.

## U.S. Collaboration

Main theme of the Pope's Message, however, was that the imposition of a victor's peace will solve nothing, and it was in furtherance of the motives represented by this standpoint that President Roosevelt offered his collaboration, and decided to send Mr. Myron Taylor to the Vatican as his personal Ambassador. In the picture came, too, the Italian Royal Family, with an historic exchange of visits with His Eminence the Pope, terminating a feud of nearly 70 years. Italy's precise position was, however, obscured by official denial of apparently well-substantiated reports that Signor Mussolini was planning to pay a visit of homage to the Vatican on January 4. The step would have seemed to give the endorsement of the Italian Government to a peace movement of a specially anti-Nazi and pro-humanitarian nature.

## First Campaign

On the western front, meanwhile, the so-called truce continued, and

## THIS WEEK

with the winter well set, the respite employed in steady marshalling of the resources of the Allies, the first campaign of the war may be regarded as won. Where severe fighting has occurred, in Finland, the friends of Finland have been given further cause for quiet satisfaction. The stubborn resistance of the Finns, aided by the rigours of winter, for which the Red Army was woefully ill-prepared, has turned the tide. In the extreme North, after an advance of 60 miles, the Red Army retreated in disastrous rout. The Finnish counter-attack in the east found them, shortly, dealing with a disorganised army, and the campaign is now proceeding on Russian territory.

for putting two and two together and producing a diplomatic thriller does not invalidate the questions provoked by Field Marshal Goering's presence in a back-seat. One of Hitler's shrewdest steps on the outbreak of war was to install Goering as head of the Supreme War Cabinet, with others of the more popular Nazi leaders as his principal collaborators. To-day, however, Ribbentrop, Goebbels and Himmler appear to be riding high on Hitler's favour; which is hopeful, as likely to quicken the doom of the regime. Romantic explanations of Goering's disgrace may, however, be discounted. The explanation is probably very simple. There is, for instance, the performance of the much-vaunted Goering-built German Air Force against the despised R.A.F.

## Shock For Japan

In the Far East, a sharp change of mood became noticeable. The high optimism in Japanese political circles concerning the development of diplomatic exchanges with the United States faded in a night, and exposed more than was perhaps intended, Washington's readiness to show good will, a conciliatory gesture here and another there, were completely misinterpreted and, too soon, it was assumed that "appeasement" was in process of development and that Japan would get all she wanted at the price of the minimum of concession. Further diplomatic interviews disturbed the daydream, and made it clear that America's disinclination to permit of a state of non-treaty relations was no index to Washington's attitude on points of principle.

## Abe Cabinet Assailed

In the result, the Abe Cabinet found itself assailed on several sides, for its alleged excess of moderation in the conduct of foreign policy, although Japan's internal troubles were advanced as the pretext. Once again, political crisis brews. The outcome seems to depend less upon the strength of the Cabinet as such, as the support it can expect from the big industrialists, whose main interest to-day may be seen as the liquidation of the "China Affair" as quickly and as cheaply as possible and concentration upon the economic rewards of neutrality in a European war.

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## New Confidence

Finland fights to-day with a new confidence, but it would be folly to place too much stress on the results of the preliminary phases of the operations. The most that can be said is that, in all probability, the Red Army is baulked until the Spring. In the interim, there will be opportunity for consolidation in Finland and for the international efforts to assist her to reveal themselves tangibly, possibly producing new complications and an extension of the sphere of conflict.

## Sweden's Dilemma

Sweden's problem becomes ever more acute. Circumstances both compel aid to Finland and counsel extreme caution. Cables received yesterday reveal all too clearly the imminence of the peril, which is not likely to be removed by hints in London and Paris of Allied readiness to give the fullest guarantees. Germany does not bring new enemies of powerful strength against her if Britain and France stand alone behind Sweden. A successful campaign in Sweden would furnish strategic advantages in the war against Great Britain.

## Goering Goering Gone?

Inside Germany, the industrial machine is beginning to creak and there are signs that the Nazi leaders are far from being one happy family. Madame Taboulet's aptitude

## Battle Of Ideas: By Vladimir Streltsov STALIN HITS HITLER

THOSE who do not know Russia may regard the Stalin-Hitler Pact as a State action, dictated by a political conception and economic strategic necessity. No, this pact is Stalin's personal settling of accounts with Hitler, an act of Georgian vendetta. The political part is merely its stage-setting. The psychological motive is purely personal.

With eyes like those of Argus, Stalin recognised the right moment to stab at the heart of the enemy. How he did it is a psychological masterpiece, for the victim became his own executioner.

Stalin forced Hitler to erect the gallows while his pretorians shouted: Heil Heil as if they were preparing for a wedding feast. He smashed Hitler's propaganda machine—and with it Hitler himself.

The signatures to the Stalin-Hitler pact were hardly dry when Goebbels's propaganda artillery shot a dangerous slogan into the world. It ran: "Russia's inexhaustible reserves of raw materials are in Hitler's hands!" The supporters of freedom and democracy shivered. Uneasiness crept into their hearts.

## Goebbels' Slogan In Bluff

It sounded terrifying and discouraging. In truth, it is neither. Anyone who knows how matters stand with Russian raw materials knows, too, that Goebbels's slogan is bluff.

Economically, Russia is strong only in crude oil and in certain metals. Her production of crude oil in peace time exceeded her wants by barely 12 per cent. The same is true of manganese and certain other raw materials important for military purposes. In other commodities production and consumption kept pace with each other.

Now, in war time, mobilisation and the needs of her armies will eat up Russian surplus raw materials. Production will decrease, from lack of skilled labour, now mobilised, and the allocation of transport—and, in Russia, transport is problematical. In plain language, Russia can give little or nothing because she has not enough for herself.

## No Reproach For Sentimentality!

It is unthinkable that Stalin—nobody can reproach him with sentimentality—will offer Hitler 100,000 tanks of crude oil as an engagement ring. Or are we to suppose that Stalin, even if the transport machinery of both States were not so dislocated, would deliver manganese and crude oil in exchange for perambulators, Christmas decorations and cuckoo clocks? Or for champagne-eider marked "Ribbentrop dry?"

Raw materials! It is easily said. But what is the use to Germany of raw materials produced in the Urals, the Caucasus or Siberia? How can these raw materials reach the Rhine, where they are needed? And when?

That is the great insoluble problem for Germany. The sea route is closed for mass transport. As for land transport, there is a lack of rolling stock, depots and the other technical equipment needed to secure regular military transport in war time. First of all.

## Sombre Sphinx Of Kremlin

Nobody knows Hitler better, nobody has more thoroughly X-rayed the Third Reich than the sombre Sphinx of the Kremlin. Nobody desires Hitler's fall more passionately than Stalin, whom a ridiculous legend characterises as being of a cool and calculating nature. He is in reality a diabolical will under the disguise of icy coldness; fiery energy mastered by iron self-control, genuinely dynamic, trained by a life of dangerous adventure.

Nobody prepared Hitler's fall more systematically than Stalin, not even Hitler himself. Years of unflinching preparatory work had to be done before the shock battalions of the Russian offensive, camouflaged as allies, marched in September through the Polish plains.

Hitler had trained Germany to success, trained her too thoroughly. In fact, one success followed another—dynasty, Prague, Meme, Danzig, Warsaw! Glad shouts from well-drilled, police-controlled masses

greeted each new triumph. But who in Germany rejoices to-day over Vienna, Prague or Danzig? There is danger in the fulfilment of expectations. Satisfied hunger is no longer hungry, nor always grateful. Appetite is the key to success in propaganda.

## All The Great Betrayers

All the great betrayers of the people have worked according to this recipe. As long as they could whet the people's appetite they were unshaken.

Stalin knew that Hitler would remain unchallenged "Leader" as long as he could whet the German appetite. With devilish cunning he but manoeuvred Hitler. From the Nazi-Marshallise:

Germany is ours to-day, To-morrow 'twill be the whole world.

Stalin cut out the word "to-morrow." How can Hitler whet the nation's appetite to-day? With the Ukraine? Closed by Russian bayonets! With the cornfields and oil wells of Rumania? Closed by Russian bayonets! With Yugoslavia, the Balkans, Hungary? Flanked by Russian bayonets! The road to the East, to Bagdad, to India? Everywhere the shaggy paw of the Russian bear!

## Shattering Of A Loud Speaker

And what of the Baltic States—the old "soil of German culture fertilised by the martyr blood of the Teutonic Knights and of the Free Corps?" This "Lebensraum" has been the playground of Nazi imagination. What of it? Closed by Russian bayonets, denuded of its Germanic inhabitants, betrayed by the pact with Stalin!

And the beloved German Baltic, the sparkling jewel in Hitler's sceptre? Russian battleships lying in the Baltic harbour! A geographical miracle: Kiel, Stettin, Lubeck, ports at the entrance to a "Red Sea!"

Stalin's kick has shattered Hitler's loud-speaker. Goebbels' cannot repair it.



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## ENGLAND IN WARTIME



Midwives at Guy's Hospital, London, have now been provided with tin helmets to enable them to pursue their urgent business despite air-raids. In the view at top left, Sister Mandy sees off three midwives, wearing their new tin hats. Meanwhile, it is true that the modern army is mechanised, but army officers frequently use a horse and carriage for the purpose of saving petrol. Above an officer is seen in a "Jig" which he uses to transport him to and from the barracks. In the third photograph at left is a group of boys who are receiving special training for the Merchant Service and the Royal Navy in a Nautical College "somewhere in Berkshire." The instructor is using a model of the Spithead ravello to demonstrate his lesson for the day. (Copyright, Fox).



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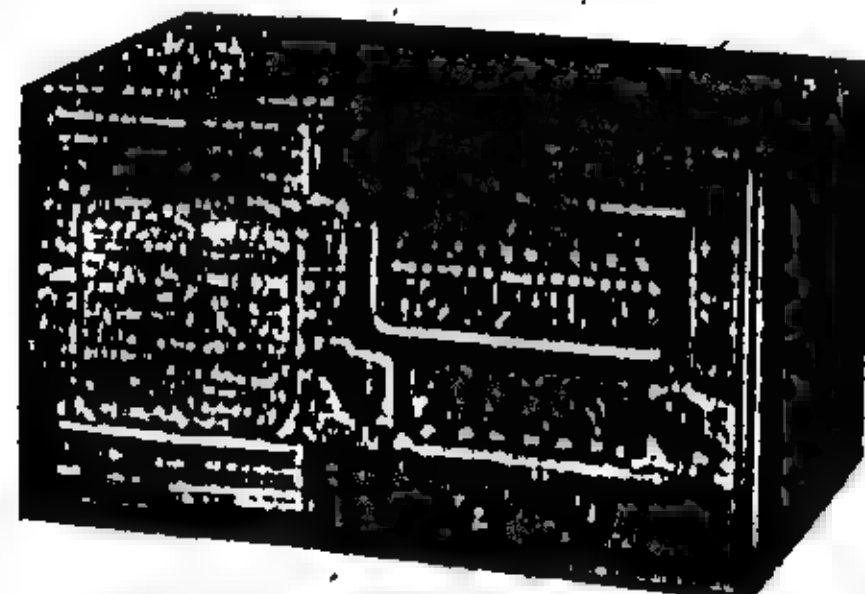
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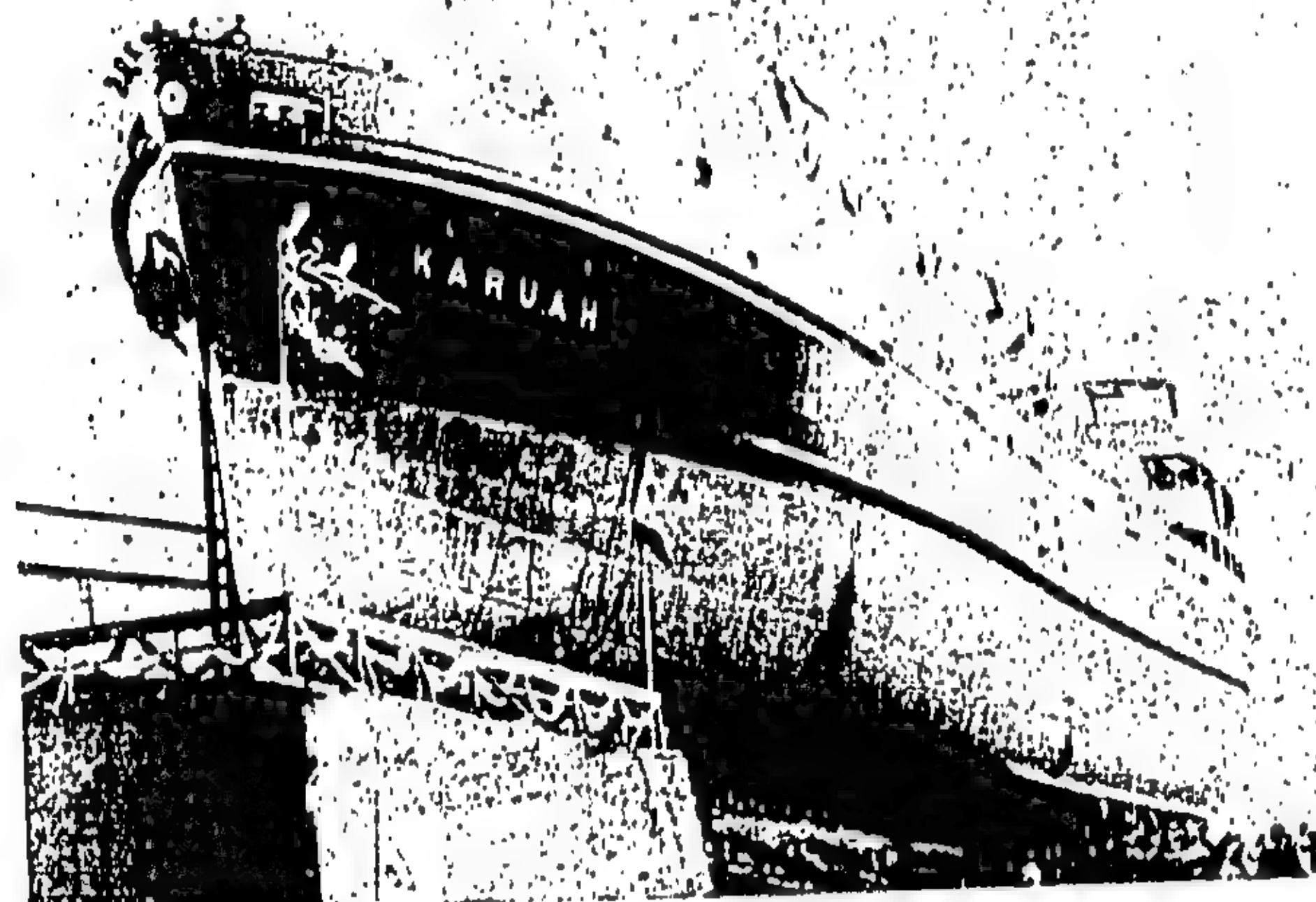




Mrs. S. H. Dodwell seen performing the launching ceremony with a bottle of Australian Champagne.

## New Steamer Launched

The 1,200 ton steel Karuah, which has been built by the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd., for the Newcastle and Hunter River Steamship Company, Ltd., Australia, was launched by Mrs. S. H. Dodwell, wife of the Chairman of Directors of the Dock Company, on December 21. The Karuah is the eighth ship to be built by the Dock Company for Australian owners.



The Karuah as she appeared shortly before she was launched.

## PHYSICAL DISPLAY

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffry Northcote, watched a display of physical drill at the Hong Kong Football Club ground on December 22, and the four pictures in this lower group show scenes of the event. The drill was staged by 900 boys and girls from local Vernacular schools.



(Top Left) — His Excellency the Governor seen when he distributed certificates of merit to the various schools taking part in the display.



In this group is the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Chairman of Directors of the Dock Company, and directly behind him is Mr. C. W. J. Barker, the owners' representative in Hong Kong, and supervisor of the Karuah's construction.



(Lower Group) — A line-up of three classes representing different schools who put on a display which won them certificates according to their respective merits.





# CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Ely Culbertson

The proverb, "half a loaf is better than none," has very little, if any, application to the bridge table, and aspiring experts had better forget all about it. Thousands of contracts that should be defeated are fulfilled only because a short-sighted defender, muttering to himself, "a trick is a trick," parts with a card that should be held for dear life. Consider the following hand taken from a recent New York duplicate game:

South, dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.  
Match-point duplicate.

**NORTH**  
S—6 4 3  
H—9 8 5 2  
D—A 10 9 8 4 3  
C—None

**WEST** **EAST**  
S—J 8 7 5 2 S—K 10 9  
H—7 4 3 H—K J 10  
D—Q 7 D—J 6 2  
C—K J 5 C—9 8 6 4

**SOUTH**  
S—A Q  
H—A Q 8  
D—K 5  
C—A Q 10 7 3 2

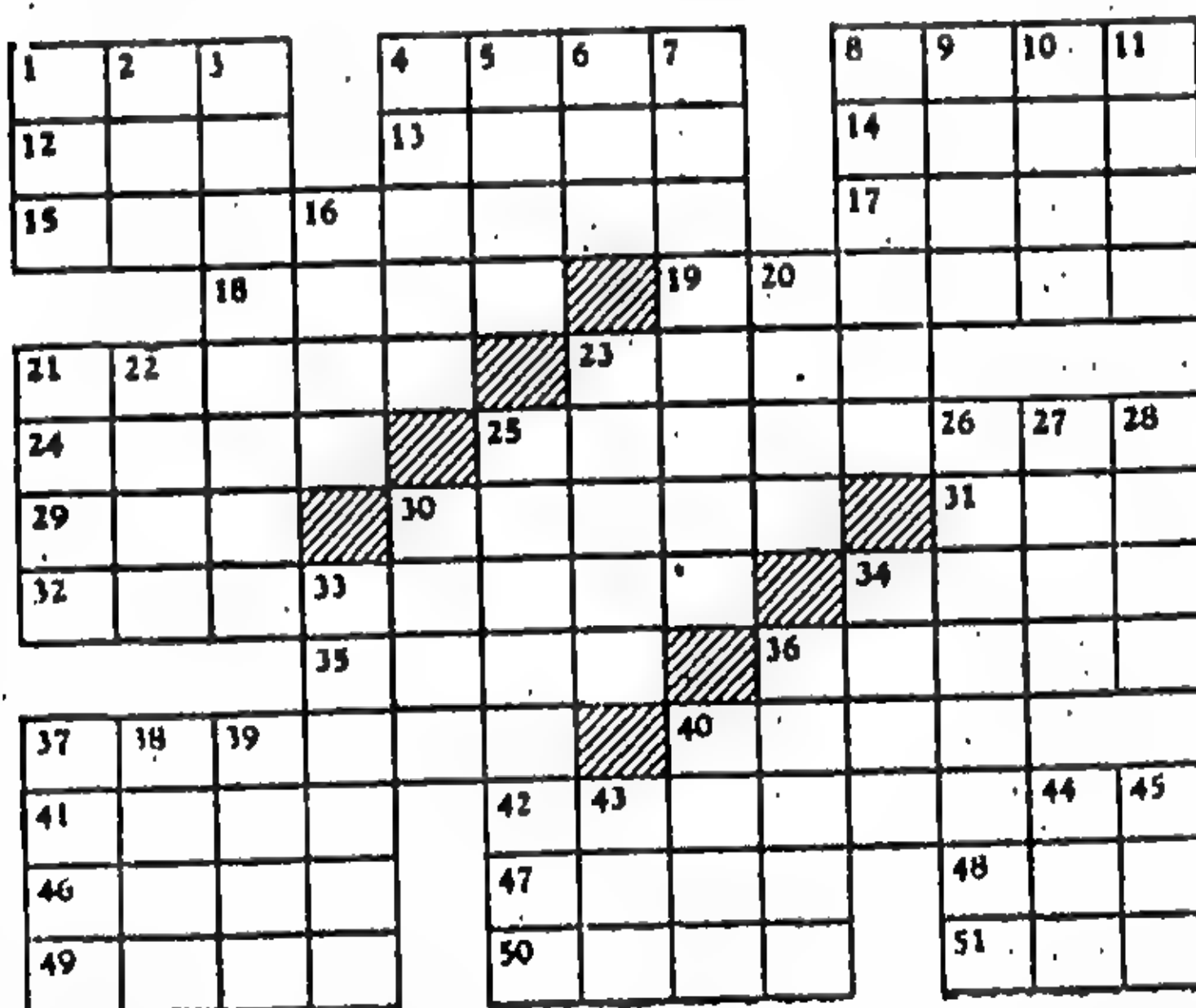
The bidding:  
South West North East  
1 club Pass 1 diamond Pass  
3 no trump Pass Pass Pass

This bidding took place at several tables and, although the contract was not a good one, it will be seen that each of the three bids was highly persuasive. South's opening club bid was, of course, the best approach, and certainly North could not fail to answer with one diamond. Then South, with five honour tricks, including a fitting card in partner's bid suit, two stoppers in each major, and a very fair six card club suit, could not be criticised for jumping to three no trump. Nor could North very well make any further bid. For all he could tell, South might have sufficient diamond strength to establish and run the suit without difficulty.



This picture was taken at a vast munitions factory "somewhere in England," where thousands of shells and bombs are turned out daily. The cheerful spirit of the workers is reflected in the facetious messages chalked on the shells, and in this instance it's "Hitler's Pills." (Copyright, right, Fox).

## SUNDAY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



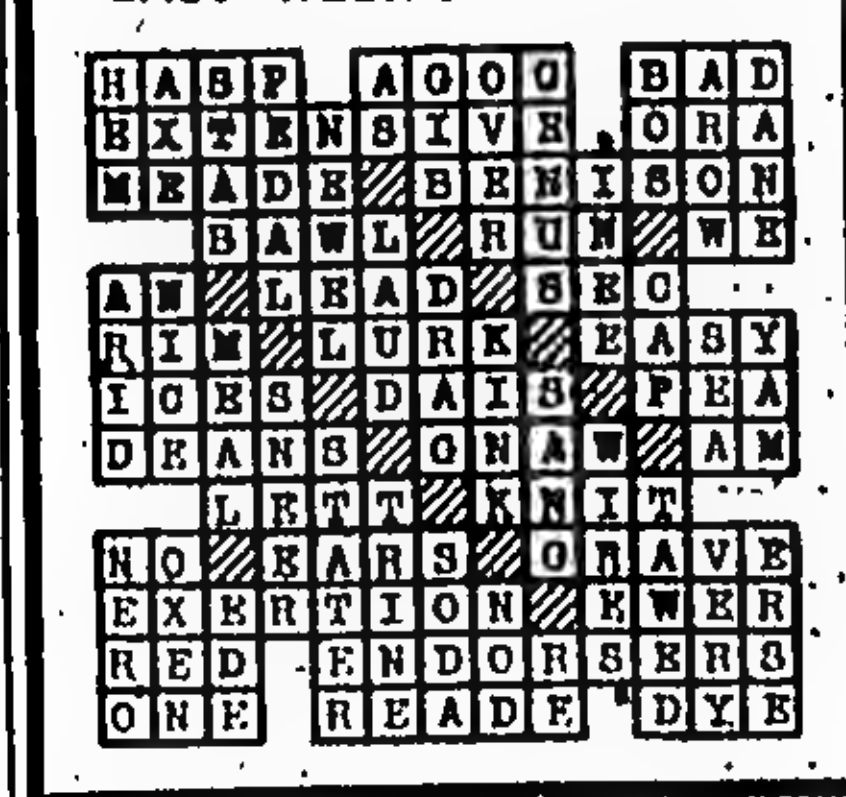
### HORIZONTAL

- 1 Grain beard
- 4 War god
- 6 Really map
- 12 To bellow
- 13 Famous river
- 14 Western Indian
- 15 Alarming
- 17 Origin
- 18 Individual
- 19 Thinner
- 21 Subject
- 23 Flowers
- 24 Slope
- 25 Worried
- 29 French island
- 30 Hindu princess
- 31 Epoch
- 32 Stabs
- 34 Svelte
- 35 Insect eggs
- 36 To be dormant
- 37 To frustrate
- 40 Long nap
- 41 Sword
- 42 Pertinent

### VERTICAL

- 1 Danish division
- 2 Sorrow
- 3 Scandinavians
- 4 Feeble-minded
- 5 Prevalent

### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



### Man's name

- 7 Hides
- 8 Grammatical term
- 9 Cut of meat
- 10 Part of church
- 11 Row
- 16 Noisy frolic
- 20 Border
- 21 To lose balance
- 22 Art: nimbus
- 23 Orchestras
- 25 Traded
- 26 To commit
- 27 Great lake
- 28 Moist
- 30 To scold
- 33 To haunt
- 34 European animal
- 36 To endure
- 38 Sahnah city
- 39 Flowerless plant
- 40 Plum-like fruit
- 43 Day before
- 44 Conjunction
- 45 Weight



A famous hotel in Middlessex encourages its customers to knit socks and jumpers for the men at the front. Knitting needles and wool are kept for that purpose, and men as well as women are to be found knitting at the bar. In this photograph "Tommy" himself is seen knitting between drinks. (Copyright, Fox).

At every table West opened the five of spades, and East's king was taken by the ace. At two tables the declarers laid down the king of diamonds, perhaps hoping to drop an honour, and then found that they had no further play for contract. At three tables the declarers adopted a more ingenious plan for the establishment of the diamond suit. They led the low diamond and, when West ducked (incorrectly), put in dummy's eight spot. Two Easts, obviously working on the "a trick's a trick" idea, won with their jack, and by so doing earned the declarers' undying gratitude. The spade return was taken by the queen, and the declarers, probably with their hearts in their mouths, laid down the diamond king. When West's queen appeared the overtake with dummy's ace clinched five diamond tricks. After such a successful coup, these declarers were not disposed to try for extra tricks [which they could have made], but were quite satisfied with fulfilling their contracts.

At the other table where the declarer attempted the strategem of leading a low diamond to the eight, East was not a subscriber to the theory that "a trick's a trick." He realised that to part with the jack on the first diamond lead was to

concede the rest of the suit. Even if it were possible to lose the jack by holding it up, he correctly reasoned that this would be better than to make no struggle against the establishment of the suit. But, actually, there was no chance of losing it. Declarer could not possibly have started with the K-Q and a low diamond and selected that method of play. West was absolutely marked with either the king or the queen and, in either case, the hold up of the jack would be vital.

### NO MONEY? WHAT OF IT?

George Bernard Shaw's first years in London were spent in desperate want. "My clothes turned green," he says. "And I trimmed my cuffs to the quick with scissors, and wore my tall hat with the back in front, so that the brim should not bend double when I took it off to an acquaintance."

In his youthful days Napoleon lived chiefly on dry bread and wore shoes with pasteboard soles.

During her early days in Paris Madame Curie lived alone in an attic room, cooking her scanty meals over a little alcohol lamp and carrying scuttles of coal up six flights of stairs. — This Week Magazine.

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## Older Women Should Make-Up

Don't get the silly notion that because your gay days are over, there is no need to look pretty, warns Patricia Lindsay.

MANY women who have passed their fiftieth birthday, refrain from using make-up because they feel a bit conspicuous with it on, or have a silly notion that their gay days are over so there is no need to look pretty! They go about with ashen complexion and lips, quite smug in their opinion that they are playing the role of a lady and being as nature intended them to be.

Personally, I have no objections if an older woman takes to her years gracefully and does not strive to look twenty years younger than she is. In fact, I prefer women of this age group to look soft and poised and understanding, rather than brittle and strained and bewildered. But I see no reason why every woman should not make herself as attractive as possible, no matter what her age, and no one can deny that a little colour on cheeks and lips, perfectly blended to natural skin tone, is to be preferred to a colourless face! If natural pink still tints your lips and cheeks, all well and good, no accent is needed, but if your face is drained of all colour because of recent or current poor health, fatigue or worry, I think a little make-up is in order!

On your cosmetic counter is make-up especially mixed for aging skins. The powders are more beige than pink, the lipsticks and rouges are soft in tone and texture, and eye beauty aids, are as delicate as you desire. Your problem is not whether you should wear make-up, it is selecting the most flattering and appropriate shades and learning to apply it so artfully that your conservative spouse will wonder what makes you grow more beautiful each year! And that can be done.

**THIS IS YOUR LESSON**  
As one ages naturally the skin texture tends to dry and wrinkle.

A good many of these wrinkles are attractive and if you do not believe that just take a long look at a woman of your age who has had her face lifted. She startsles one—her face is too free of the natural lines life etches as the years roll by. Just as our hair fades so does our skin, and that means we must keep it well lubricated and not apply make-up without a moist foundation lotion or cream. A little of such cream about the size of a lime, on each cheek, forehead and chin is quite sufficient. When this is thoroughly massaged over the entire face area only enough remains to give a fresh, shiny appearance. If your face looks "greasy" after a cream application take a tissue and wipe it—and next time use less.

Naturally, brilliant reds, strong fuchsias and deep tawny shades of lip and cheek colouring are not for you. The natural roses, soft pinks or fleshy peach are nearer to the colouring nature intended for your years. Moist rouge of soft texture is the easiest to apply and blend. Use it sparingly and place it on the fleshiest part of your cheeks. Cover it with powder applied with a fresh piece of absorbent cotton and use a powder brush to whisk away all but a film of it.

If you like, you may use the moist rouge on your lips too, applying it with a steady second finger, but you can, of course, match your rouge perfectly in a lipstick, and that is more simple to use. Vaseline on your eyelids by day, and a soft toned shadow for parties. Eyebrows and lashes slightly darkened are very effective, but if you like you may forego the darkening and simply brush them well with a bit of dark eye-lash growing cream to give them gloss and to keep them smoothly in place.



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## Health Experts of Screen Colony Answer Your Beauty Questions

**EACH** studio in Hollywood has a health expert who advises stars how to keep fit through exercise, correct menus, and beauty advice for this and that ailment. Naturally the girls flock to them and some ask the very same questions you ask of me. Here are their answers:

### FOR A BACKACHE

Lewis Hippe answers: "Exercise first. Touch the floor with your fingertips without bending your knees. Then bend sideways, raising your left heel as you bend to the right, and vice versa. When your back is limbered give it some heat. Good sun lamps are excellent. Otherwise use hot bath towels. The first should be comfortably hot, but the last three or four applications should be as hot as your skin can stand. Dry well and dress warmly."

### CORRECT A DOUBLE CHIN

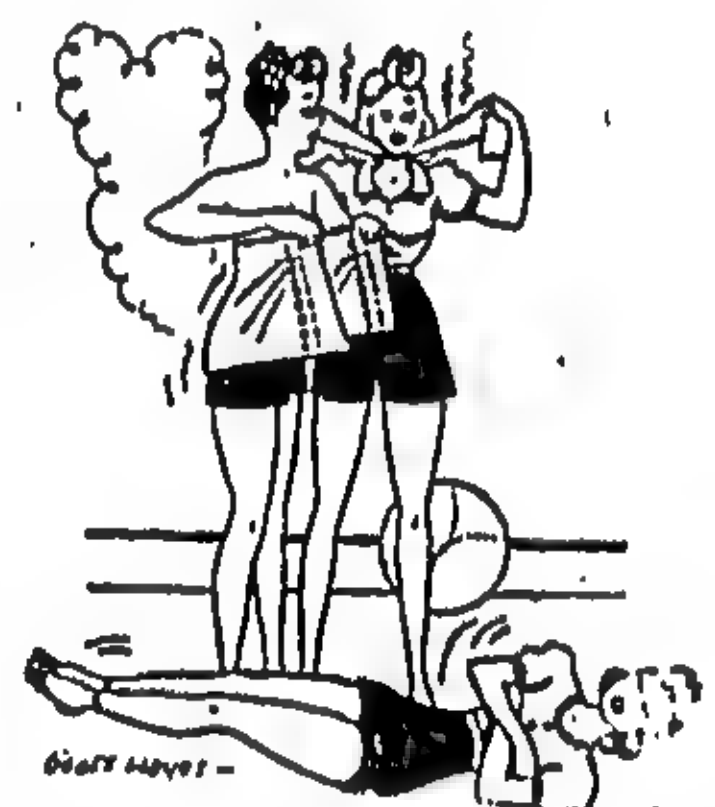
Again Lewis Hippe comes to your rescue, with the suggestion of hot towels: "It doesn't require magic to get rid of a double chin. You simply apply hot towels to soften the fatty tissue—about five. Then give your chin a kneading massage with your knuckles—gentle but firm—along the offending flesh. Begin at your chin point and massage down your neck. At intervals apply a couple more hot towels. Continue this routine for ten minutes each day. Always finish with an application of a chilled, strong astringent."

### SLIM YOUR HIPs

Exercise is the answer and Jim Davies of Hollywood gives you just one to practice daily. "Stretch out on the floor where there is room enough for you to roll from side to side. Lie on your back, cross your arms on your chest. Raise your shoulders and feet about four inches off the floor and roll over on your left side, return to position, roll over on your right side, return to position. Be sure to keep your shoulders and feet off the floor and when you begin to feel strained, relax for a while and then repeat exercise." Mr. Davies warns you that your hips will be sore the first week but he also assures you that devotion to rolling ten or fifteen minutes each day will slim down those bulges!

### IF ARMS ARE TOO FAT

Of course, you must watch your weight, but here is a simple exercise Jim Davies gives the stars: "Stretch your arms as much as you can, keeping them at shoulder level and shake them as hard as you can. Shake them hard and fast until you actually hear your flesh vibrating. Surplus flesh, instead of tightening and staying with you, will disappear."



Screen stars have their beauty problems, even as you and I.

That hard mineral scale which sometimes collects on the bottom and sides of the tea kettle can be softened for removal by heating some vinegar and water in the kettle.

It is important to get cream spots out before linens go to the laundry, since the heat breaks up the fat, depositing on the linen a stubborn light brown stain which later on must be treated with chemicals. To remove the fresh cream spot, wash the stain in lukewarm water and soap until it disappears.

To loosen the dirt on cuff and collar bands on men's and boys' shirts, scrub them with a soft brush frequently dipped in warm, soapy water before putting them in the laundry tub.

To flavour cream or clear soups add a few crisps of bacon, just when served.

**Glostora**

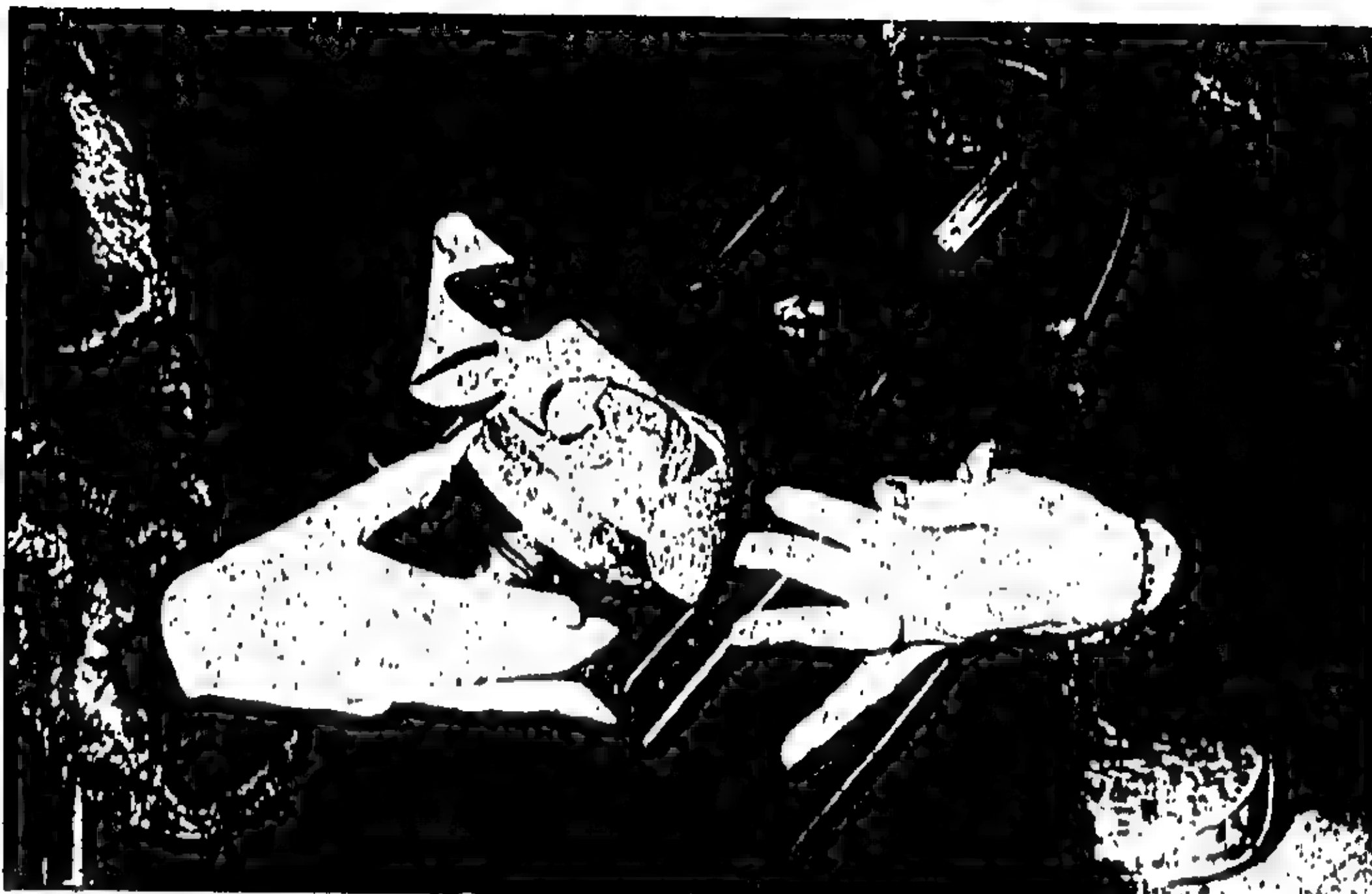
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## WOMEN IN WARTIME

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Fashion, ever versatile, moves with the times. Handbags are now fitted with gas-mask containers. This model seen in a West End store in London is proving very popular.



Showing how the gas-proof suit is packed into a small pouch, and stowed away in the handbag. An idea which is a boon to shoppers.



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# Living Ghost--A Phantom of the Sea

THE incidents in our story took place in the year 1828 on board an ordinary sailing vessel bound for Liverpool from America. The second-in-command, a man named Bruce, finished making his observations regarding the position of the sun and went below to make the necessary calculations. That done, he lifted his head and noticed through the open door of the Captain's cabin that the latter was seated at his desk performing the same duty.

Bruce arose, entered his superior's cabin.

"Here are my calculations, sir? Do they tally with yours...?" he asked cheerfully.

There was no answer. Suddenly the man turned around and Bruce was astonished to see that it was a perfect stranger. He apologized for the intrusion and went on deck. He approached the captain and asked:

"Who is in your cabin, sir?"

"Why, no one that I know of," was the answer.

"Well, I just saw a stranger sitting at your desk and writing on your slate!"

The two men hastened below. The cabin was empty. Nothing appeared to have been touched, but on the slate were written these words: "Steer north-east."

The writing was not that of the captain, nor of the second-in-command, nor of anyone on board. Bruce carefully scrutinized the features of every man on the ship. None of them resembled the stranger, whose whole appearance he could recall perfectly.

The captain was sufficiently impressed by the mysterious message to change his course and steer north-east as directed on the slate. Moreover, he stationed a look-out man on the top, and awaited further developments.

A few hours later an iceberg was sighted off the coast of Newfoundland with a ship stuck fast to it. The doomed boat had been caught upon the edge of the iceberg by strong currents, and had been practically demolished by the force of the blow. It had remained in this perilous position for several weeks. Now there were no more provisions on board; the framework of the vessel was ready to cave in, and all the crew and passengers had given themselves up for lost.

As the third boat-load of the survivors was brought to the rescuing ship, Bruce, from the poop

where he stood, could hardly believe his eyes. For in one of them he recognized the stranger he had seen only a few hours before seated in the captain's cabin!

The second-in-command hastened to his superior and imparted this information to him.

After the survivors had been given all the necessary immediate attention, the two men approached the mysterious passenger.

"Pardon me, sir," began the

carefully, then turned the slate around and studied the writing on the other side. Finally he turned it around once more, held it towards the man.

"Is that your writing?" he asked.

"But of course! You just saw me write it!"

"And, this

too?"—displaying other side of the

slate.

The man was dumbfounded.

"What—what does it all mean?"

I only wrote those words once!"

By Pierre Mille



"The destruction of enemy submarines is being maintained at a sufficiently high rate to encourage us to believe that this menace to our trade will eventually be overcome," said Mr. Chamberlain in the House of Commons. This picture from stock shows how a depth charge is fired, and how the British Navy eventually hopes to liquidate the sea monsters. (Copyright, Fox).

captain, "but I wonder if you'd be kind enough to write the few words I shall dictate to you on this slate."

"Anything you like," was the cordial reply.

"Good. Then write 'Steer north-east.'"

The other took the chalk that was handed to him and wrote the words smilingly, without comment. The captain examined the writing

"What it means I cannot take upon myself to say," replied the captain in a grave voice. "But here is my second-in-command, who swears he saw you write these words on my slate this very day in my cabin, shortly after noon."

At that point the captain of the wrecked vessel, who had meanwhile joined the group, asked his passenger:

"Did you by any chance dream of writing those words on the slate?"

"No, sir,—not that I can remember," was the answer.

"You speak of 'dreaming,'" said the first captain. "What was this gentleman doing around noon to-day?"

"As a matter of fact," replied his colleague, "something rather strange did happen. I was going to tell you about it later. . . . Shortly before twelve o'clock this man, exhausted, starved and half-frozen as all of us were, fell into a deep sleep. At the end of an hour or so he awoke and said to me, 'Captain, we are going to be rescued. I asked him how he knew. He answered that he had dreamed of seeing himself on board a ship which was even then on its way towards us. . . . He described its appearance, its rigging; and when your ship came into sight it corresponded in every detail to that which he had described for us. I must confess it made a very deep impression on us—you know how a drowning man will clutch at a straw. . . .!'"

"Well, at any rate the words on the slate saved your lives. Without them I certainly should not have altered my course. . . . nor should I have stationed a look-out on the top. . . . You say"—turning to the passenger—"you say that you never even dreamed of writing on a slate?"

"No, sir, I have no recollection whatever of doing so. It is true I

## JESTS UNDER THE BREATH

A hawker recently found a ten-pound note in the pocket of an old pair of gardening trousers. We must remember to take all the ten-pound notes out of our old pairs of gardening trousers immediately.

A golf professional claims to have invented a weighted ball that makes putting easy. What a joy to be holed.

"The French Foreign Minister suffers from no delusions," says a political writer. He has only one big B in his Bonnet.

A huntsman who created a scene apologised later to the M.F.H. and blamed the wine he had drunk earlier in the day. What's bred in the Beaulieu comes out at the meet.

An ex-detective says cat-burglars are so athletic that he often wonders how they manage to keep so fit. Surely he must know that when they come across a rope of pearls they usually skip with it?

"Banknotes should be made of waterproof paper," states a writer. It wouldn't make any difference to us; we should never have any to put by for a rainy day.

The number of trout landed by two anglers last week broke the local record. In fact, the lucky pair were kept so busy that they scarcely had time to uncork their lunch.

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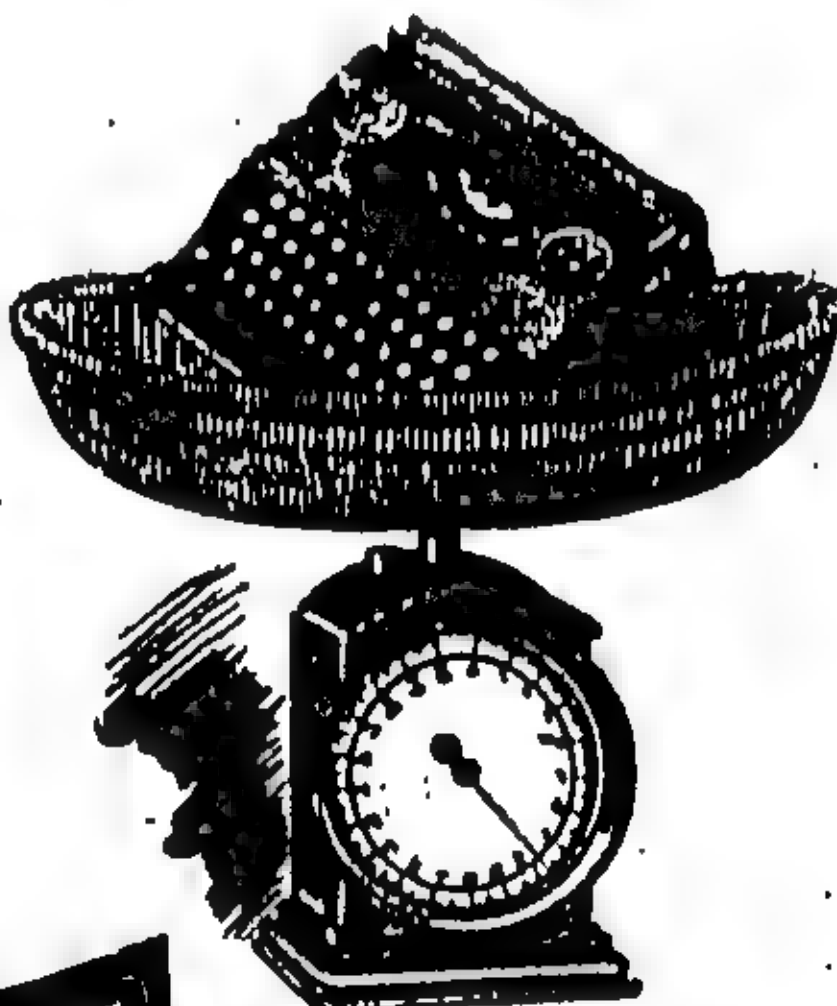
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## FANLING RACES

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An incident in the first steeplechase of the day, The Talpo Handicap, when one of the entries ran off the track. Favourites had a lean time and many upsets of form accounted for some fairly good dividends at the December Meeting of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club held in glorious weather at Kwantl on Boxing Day.



(Right)—The Misses Shirley and Knapman.



J. Barrow's Wides (Barrow up), being led in after its win in the Jorrocks Plate, a hurdle race for China ponies. Mr. Barrow paid a winning dividend of \$31.60 in this race, and later paid \$58, the highest pay-out of the meeting, for his win on Jack O'Lantern in the Fanling Cup.



Mrs. Trevor with Mr. and Mrs. Swain of Singapore.



Silly's Dick Turpin (Poy up), which won the Hobart Handicap, a flat race for Australian ponies "C" class, is shown being led in.



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Taken at the christening ceremony, which took place at Union Church on December 18, of Glenn Farquhar, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William Melrose of Talkoo Dock. (King's Studio).

# HOLIDAY



A group of tiny tots who took part in the fun at Leong Tong School on Dec.



One section of the happy group of people who celebrated Christmas at the X'mas Dinner Party held at the Cheero Club on Christmas Eve. (King's Studio).

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Y.M.C.A. Men's Children's Christmas Party at Kowloon, December 18. (King's Studio).



Group photograph taken at Union Church on December 18, when the twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Adams of Talkoo Dock were christened Katrina and Elizabeth Turner. (King's Studio).



Taken at the Royal Engineers Christmas Dinner held in the R.E., W.O.S. and Senior N.C.O.'s Mess on Christmas Eve. (King's Studio).



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A line up of the competitors in the Wee Tots Race for boys and girls under 4 years.



Peter Shepherd, winner of the Flat Race for Boys from 8 to 14 years.



Valentine Stuart who won the Flat Race for Boys from 4 to 8 years.



Tea was served.

## CHILDREN'S SPORTS

Many people spent a pleasant afternoon at the Civil Service Cricket Club on Boxing Day when the annual Children's Sports and Christmas Party was held. Prizes were presented by Mrs. D. J. Valentine, and some of the lucky winners are shown on this page.



Joyce Ebbage, left, and Leslie Golyer, right, winner and runner-up respectively in the Flat Race for Girls from 8 to 14 years.



Iris Baddon, right, and Rosemary Lewis, left, who placed first and second respectively in the Flat Race for Girls from 4 to 8 years.

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## POTPOURRI

An Accumulation of Interesting and Humorous Odds and Ends Noted in the Month's Reading.

Did you ever see a four-leaf clover? Not more than once or twice, we'll wager. Pondering the rarity of this good-luck symbol, the manager of a Minneapolis theatre recently conceived the happy idea of publicizing the movie, "Lucky Night," with an offer of free admission on opening day to every holder of a four-leaf clover. What if he did have to give away a couple of hundred "Annie Oakley's"? It was a cheap enough price to pay for good publicity. Sure enough, on opening day, a crowd of 6,500 people stormed the movie entrance but the box office sold only one ticket! Just 6,499 people turned up with four-leaf clovers. — *The Open Book*, Cleveland.

A mysterious aspect of the octopus, and one elucidated only during recent years, is its remarkable mode of reproduction. The male octopus at certain seasons casts off part of one of its arms. This arm, containing the fertilizing agent, leads an independent existence until accepted by the female, which in due course produces a cluster of egg capsules resembling a bunch of grapes. The eggs are deposited in a basin-like depression made on the sea floor by blowing away the sand and gravel through the siphon-pipe which also serves to aerate the egg capsules.

The sitting occupies about fifty days. On emergence the octopus is only about the size of a fly, with tentacles so short as to be only just discernible.

— E. Boulenger in *John O'London's Weekly*, London.

Opposition to the Nazi invaders is so strong in Czechoslovakia that even the girls in the brothels refuse to accept the attentions of German soldiers and policemen. Instead of consoling themselves with some buxom German Gretchen, the spurned lovers have taken their complaint to the highest tribunal, the President of the Brno police.

The latter has already intervened in the situation. So, these insolent women scorn the pure-bred, blue-eyed, blond Aryans? Donnerwetter! And the President immediately sat down to compose a letter, to be sent to the proprietors of all houses of prostitution: "... Such an affront to the Germans will no longer be tolerated. ... If one more incident of the sort is reported, the house will be shut down and the women sent to the houses at the front."

The text terminated with a flourishing "Heil Hitler!" — *Le Populaire*, Paris.

One of the strangest drums on record was made from the human skin of Zizka, the great Bohemian general who fought for the cause of the Hussites, during Europe's Thirty Years' War. In his lifetime Zizka, who got his name from the fact that he only had one eye, was a powerful and fearless military leader. Once he threw back an attack of one hundred thousand Crusaders with only a handful of untrained Bohemian peasants.

Not content to cease leading his troops when death should overtake him, Zizka ordered that his skin should be stripped from his body and made into a drumhead. His request was granted, and after death his own skin reverberated to the beat of drumsticks time and time again at the head of the army he had once led in person. — *John Hicks*, in *The Etude*, Philadelphia.

The Great War exploded the idea that "Jews can't fight." All men make good soldiers if they think they have anything worth fighting for, and the Jews, emerging from a stunting confinement in the Ghetto, have shown high military prowess.

During the last war 50,000 Jews were in the British Forces, over 10,000 enlisting as volunteers, and they produced five V.C.'s, fifteen Orders of St. George, and forty-nine D.S.O.'s, with over 1,500 others who won decorations and honour. — *Louis Katlin* in *Men Only*, London.

During a diplomatic dinner in Paris, Mr. Wellington Koo, the brilliant Chinese diplomat, illustrated by means of an anecdote the expression "saving one's face" which is used so much in reference to the Far East. "One day," he began, "a man was hanged. Nothing remarkable in that. But when his son was questioned, he gave the following version of the old man's death: 'Just imagine—my honourable father was standing on an elevated platform just by chance one day, when suddenly a trap door opened at his feet. He fell so clumsily that his neck was caught in a dangling rope and he died of strangulation.' And Mr. Koo concluded with a smile: 'You see, the father may have lost his head but the son certainly saved his face.' — *Paris-Soir*, Paris.

Vacationing at the Riviera this summer, I made the acquaintance of a charming young lady who practised a rather unusual profession. At first she told me she was an actress, and I was naive enough to think she meant on the screen or stage. But she enlightened me. "I'm a station-actress. I only act in station. When a train carrying an internationally famous movie hero arrives in Saint-Lazare station, let us say, I am paid by his publicity agent to play the role of the hysterical woman. I throw myself on his neck, try to kiss him. ... Women are fools, you know. They'd give up home and children for a glimpse of their favourite Hollywood star."

She stopped, lit a cigarette, and continued:

"I push my way frantically through crowds of admirers and journalists till I get right at him, clutch at his tie, his gloves, his hat; tear his shirt to threads, pull off his buttons and practically strangle him until he manages to take refuge in a car. It takes only a few moments and I get fifty dollars for it. Next day you read in the papers: 'Paul DeVeré mobbed by 5,000 women on his arrival in Paris' ... All in all," concluded my new-found friend, daintily smothering a yawn, "I'd say it's nice work when you can get it."

— *Maurice Dekobra* in *France Magazine*, Paris.

Only a few thousand years ago we had the sight of birds, the noses of foxes, and the hearing of owls. A thrush will listen for a worm. A fox can smell a goose at half a mile. An antelope can see a man at many miles. An owl will hear the tiny footsteps of a mouse on soft earth. We could do these things once.

Had we those ears to-day, the wind in the trees would be a deafening roar, a distant train would sound like a battle, a policeman's footsteps would rival a stampede of elephants — and we should hear the conversations of our neighbours in their houses! Equally, we should be so deafened and distracted by the ceaseless thunder of sound which is civilisation's contribution to the joys of living in great cities that we should go mad. — *Medley*, London.

When the first telephone line was put in for King Ibn Saud, the Arabian Moslem religious leaders protested against such innovations and works of the Devil from the land of the Infidel. Ibn Saud listened to their complaint, and gave judgment: "If the telephone is really the work of the Devil, the Holy words of the Koran will not pass over it; if the holy words do pass



Millions of duty-free cigarettes have already been sent to the British field forces in France, and thousands more are being sent every day. This picture, taken in a London tobacco factory, shows them being packed into tins for overseas. (Copyright, Fox).

over it, it assuredly cannot be the work of the Devil. So we will appoint two mullahs, one to sit in the Palace and one in the telephone exchange, and they are to take turns reading a passage from the Holy Book, and we will see." By this test the religious leaders were convinced. — *F. Barrows Colton* in *The National Geographic Magazine*, Washington, D.C.

During to-day's sessions, the psychologists heard Oscar Kaplan of the University of California assert that while the life span of idiots and imbeciles is brief as a rule, they seem to live longer in California than elsewhere in the country. — *From a news note in The San Francisco Chronicle*.

— *The New Republic*, New York.

Not so very long ago, a certain European government decided to grant an amnesty to all money smugglers on the condition that they repatriated all the money they had smuggled out of the country. The amnesty decree was not a week old before a certain smuggler communicated with the authorities and confessed that he had illegally taken a fairly large sum of money out to the country, and had deposited it in a foreign bank across the frontier. He added that it could only be withdrawn by personal application, and as a token of good faith suggested that a Secret Police official should be sent with him when he went to collect it.

The authorities readily agreed. A day or so later, official and smuggler set out to cross the frontier by car. The official's uniform and identity card made passage through the Customs posts a mere formality, and the car drove steadily on right up to the doors of the foreign bank. Then the smuggler turned to the official, and with vitriolic sarcasm thanked him for making the trip so easy and pleasant, adding that the alluring tale of the illegal bank deposit was false, and that, hidden in the very car in which they had travelled, was the sum of about \$90,000. With this, the smuggler dragged two bulky bags from under the car's rear seat, and strolled jauntily into the bank! — *Chambers's Journal*, London.

KGKO, Fort Worth, offers Rand McNally maps to its listeners so that they may follow the course of war. Last week a Texas listener wrote in: "Please send me one of your Sally Rand maps showing rugged contours." — *Time*, Chicago.

Any cat — jungle or domestic — can show you the way to perfect physical beauty according to Ted Shawn, director of the world's most famous troupe of men dancers. His method is one of simple tension and relaxation of the muscles, which man can copy in exercise, any sports that are worthy of his time, most naturally of all, in dancing.

"Very simple, if you'll just watch a cat and do as he does. He puts every ounce of energy into each muscle movement. Then he relaxes in dead earnest, until his body is as limp as a wet rag. Tension and relaxation, just the way the cat does it, is all that's needed for complete bodily health. Do this fifteen minutes a day, and you can throw away all those girdle things, the after-dinner pills, and bid goodbye for ever to indigestion and bay windows." — *Vera Victorien* and *Donald Colman* in "Health and Strength." Quoted in *Medley*, London.



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(Right)—For formal evenings Miss Stanwyck wears this sweeping cape of white Ermine. A yoke panel follows the lines of the shoulders, while the body of the cape follows the lines of the figure. The gown underneath is a simple, sculptured one of white crepe.  
(Courtesy, Columbia Pictures).



This charming dinner frock worn by Barbara Stanwyck is of black satin and dotted net. The high-necked, long-sleeved satin blouse is joined to a full cartridge-pleated skirt of stiffened net encircled with pink and black satin ribbon, also pleated.



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## TO-DAY

If a woman and December 31 is your birthday, you must likely have a forceful personality combined with tactful manners and plenty of dry wit. Your memory should serve you well and may, on more than one occasion, save you money. Prosperity appears to be on its way to pay you a long visit. Through writing, painting, selling, store management, secretarial work, teaching, singing or some line of professional entertaining, an unusual degree of success is apt to come to you. Your matrimonial hopes and plans have an excellent chance of being fulfilled.

The child born on December 31, has a way of generally getting what it wants. Good natured, cheerful and ever ready to help others, this youngster ought to have a great deal of personal appeal. Such children seldom have any difficulty in becoming successful.

If a man and December 31 is your natal day, you may reach a high business or social position through your cleverness. You might have to curb an inclination to be temperamental and a quick temper. As an electrician, astronomer, author, promoter, politician, salesman, manufacturer, actor, clergyman or antiquarian you may see your most cherished ambition realized.

## TO-MORROW

If a woman and January 1 is your birthday, you ought to have plenty of self-assurance and faith to succeed. You possess many virtues and no fault that you cannot overcome. Good fortune seems due to befall you, and many problems that have worried you appear to be destined to have a happy solution awaiting them. You, in all likelihood, do not believe in "wishy-washy" methods, your dealings with most people will be thoroughly satisfactory and often very lucrative. As an artist, musician, designer, teacher, saleslady or interior decorator your results ought to be very gratifying. Your nuptial experiences are likely to be very happy ones.

The child born on January 1, has generally an open nature free of guile or deceit. Such children are frequently of an artistic, mechanical or literary turn of mind.

If a man and January 1 is your natal day, you ought to attract friends and gain people's confidence. Loyalty and trustworthiness may be your outstanding characteristics. As a theatrical producer, promoter, art director, writer, architect or illustrator, you may not only make a name for yourself, but also a great deal of money.

## TUESDAY

If a woman and January 2 is your birthday, you are apt to be very appreciative and charitable. You probably know when to be silent, and when to express yourself in no uncertain terms. Your moods may be very changeable, as people and environment perhaps have a decided effect upon you. You may be particularly susceptible to the influences exerted by warmth and cold, brightness and dimness, harmonious sounds and discordant noises. You might be happiest and most successful in work of an artistic, literary or educational nature. Through marriage may come ambitions, and their realization result in a great deal of happiness.

The child born on January 2, is apt to develop a remarkable degree of understanding during its formative years. An acquisitive temperament requires that information of an educational nature should be cheerfully supplied when questions are asked. Through intellectual growth this youngster may ultimately achieve renown.

If a man and January 2 is your natal day, hate is a poison you must never indulge in. With you, love will be the panacea of all ills, especially if you develop plenty of it for your fellowmen. As a clergyman, missionary, musician, artist, poet, author, physician, lecturer, actor or manufacturer your influence may be greatly felt, and gratefully recognized.

## Mary Blake Gives You - - - Your Birthday Horoscope

On this page are horoscopes for people whose birthdays fall within the coming week, and who were born under the Zodiacal Sign of Capricorn.



The Home Front has its trenches, and these women of the Auxiliary Territorial Service are seen busily renovating them at their Welsh headquarters, under the watchful eye of their mascot. (Copyright, Fox).

## WEDNESDAY

If a woman and January 3 is your birthday, you ought to be able to meet and handle people. Without giving the impression of being prim or prissy, you probably have an air of dignity. Nature, in all likelihood, has endowed you with sufficient personal charms to make it foolish for you to resort to artificial means of improving them. If you have not recently had a good turn in your luck, you can expect it. From some unexpected source money or its equivalent is likely to come, and bring a great deal of joy and satisfaction. With little trouble you ought to be able to demonstrate your ability as a writer, teacher, musician, singer, lecturer, entertainer or sales agent. Matrimony may lead you to happiness and affluence.

The child born on January 3, generally has so much will-power, dynamic energy and ambition, that it is only a question of time before these qualities are demonstrated. It would seem that Destiny will direct this youngster's steps to a sphere of unlimited opportunities.

If a man and January 3 is your natal day, conceit and overabundance of self-confidence, have wrecked the career of many a man born on this date, so beware of both. If you keep your feet on the ground and your eyes and ears open there should be no limitation to what you can accomplish as an educator, politician, contractor, promoter, sales representative, financier, clergyman, actor, author, musician or artist.

## THURSDAY

If a woman and January 4 is your birthday, you may be too prone to set the people you admire upon a pedestal, only to be disappointed. Do not take the frailties of mankind too seriously. If you would save yourself from much needless unhappiness, romantic ideas and ideals may make you view things sometimes in anything but a practical light. You may be,

very fortunate in money matters, so do not be surprised by any sudden change in your financial affairs. Through theatrical, educational, promotional, missionary, literary, musical or some highly specialized commercial work your remuneration may be large and your recognition gratifying. Your matrimonial plans and hopes have an excellent chance of being realized.

The child born on January 4 usually has stability of character and a cheerful disposition. Trustworthy, this youngster ought to gain a reputation for dependability. Such children should excel in games requiring physical skill and quick thinking. A long, useful and profitable career ought to await this youngster's maturity.

If a man and January 4 is your natal day, you ought to be capable of carrying out any plan you make. You may have executive ability of a peculiar type. Common sense probably will be your greatest aid to success. As a scenic artist, writer, architect, playwright, educator, clergyman, actor, astronomer or politician, your most ambitious dreams may be realized.

## FRIDAY

If a woman and January 5 is your birthday, your emotions are perhaps easily aroused. You ought to be very fortunate in making conservative investments, but must fight shy of those of a highly specu-

lative nature. You should think twice before taking a business partner, for you apparently work best alone. Opportunity may knock at your door, and it will be up to you to be ready to open it. Though some philanthropic work you probably will accomplish a great deal of good. Teaching, illustrating, painting, singing, acting or selling are among the activities that seem to have a great deal to offer you in the way of a bright future. Marriage appears to be the logical medium for you to use to gain not only happiness but financial independence.

The child born on January 5, often has remarkably good trading instincts, as its playmates are likely to discover. Of an acquisitive nature, this youngster, in all probability, will be thrifty, and in time will reap a well-earned reward for frugality and hard work.

If a man and January 5 is your natal day, your desire for riches is apt to be realized. Through purity of diction and grammatical correctness, your way to success is apt to be easy. As an educator, clergyman, public speaker, actor, writer or salesman, your achievements are likely to attract public attention.

## SATURDAY

If a woman and January 6 is your birthday, be careful not to be too independent for your own good. Value the friends you have. Many women born on this date, spend too much time trying to correct the faults of others rather than their own, so guard against this mistake. Prosperity might not be right around the corner waiting for you, but it certainly appears to be headed your way, so do not get discouraged if it seems to be delayed. Through interior decorating, entering, educational, missionary or musical work, painting, writing or some commercial activity your services may be in great demand, and your compensation far in excess of your most sanguine expectations. Love, most likely, will direct your matrimonial affairs.

The child born on January 6 must be encouraged to associate with children of its own age, rather than with those much older. Many children born on this date are tied too much to their mother's apron strings. If left alone they develop self-reliance and a remarkable amount of initiative.

If a man and January 6 is your natal day, you personal habits will have much to do with your degree of success. If you control them there should be a splendid future ahead of you. Work of a scientific, literary, theatrical, clerical, artistic, musical or promotional nature may enable you to be very successful.

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### CLOSE CALL

A big Buck Indian entered a Coffee Shop one day recently, and told the proprietor he wanted a beef sandwich. After receiving the sandwich, the big Buck looked at it stoically for a moment. Then he removed the top slice of bread and looked at the beef. Shaking his head, he said: "You slice um beef?" "Yes, I sliced the beef," answered the man.

"Umm," said the big Buck. "You damn near miss um."

### PLEASURE COMES HIGH

He had been brought into court charged with beating up his wife, and on hearing all the evidence the judge pronounced him guilty. "And I hereby fine you one hundred and ten dollars," concluded the judge. "Next time you get it into your head to beat your wife you'll perhaps remember that it might be a trifle expensive!" "I can understand the hundred dollars all right, judge," protested the crestfallen culprit, "but what does the ten dollars stand for?" "That," replied the judge thoughtfully, "is the amusement tax."

### ONLY CHICKENS

A couple of sailors were arguing about what kind of an animal a heifer was. One gob claimed that the heifer belonged to the hog family, while the other insisted that it was a variety of sheep. Finally they called in old Bontswain Bill to settle the dispute. "Bill, wot's a heifer?" one of them asked. "Is it a hog, or is it a sheep?" Bontswain Bill bit off a huge chunk of twist reflectively. "Well, shlpmates," he said honestly, "to tell the truth I dunno much about poultry."



--- Everybody's, London.

### LUCK

A South Carolina ducky was strolling down the village street one evening when he met an acquaintance.

"Hello, Sam!" the latter hailed him, "are you entered for our raffle?"

"No."

"Well, we're having a turkey, a goose, a pair o' chickens, and a pair o' gloves to draw for. Tickets are only a quarter."

"Yeh, but Ah ain't got no quarter."

"Well, we knows you purty well, Sam; we'll trust you."

"Awright, then Ah'll take one."

A week later Sam was around to the friend's house and happened to ask how the raffle had come out.

"Eh? Ain't you heard? My old man won the goose. Wa'n't he lucky?"

"He were lucky."

"Yeh, and I won the turkey. Ain't I lucky?"

"You am lucky."

"My married daughter, she won de chickens; Wa'n't she lucky?"

"She were lucky."

"My gal at home, she won de gloves. Wa'n't she lucky?"

"She were lucky."

"Yeh, but listen, Sam, you never paid for your ticket yet."

"No. Ain't I lucky?"

### CASE DISMISSED

A nudist strode into the office the other day to defend his cult against charges of immorality. He claims sex does not enter into the matter at all. To illustrate his point he cites that when the first colony was formed, over fifteen years ago, it was comprised of one hundred nudists, fifty of them men and fifty of them women. An insurmountable stone wall divided the fifty men from the fifty women. He states that this condition still exists, the men always keeping to their own side of the wall, and the women and children to theirs.

### ALL IN THE MIND

An inebriate appeared in a cocktail cantina one afternoon bearing a cardboard box under his arm. The box had little air holes punched in the lid and looked as though it might be a pet-carrier. The bartender served the fellow a few rounds of serpent bait and then asked what was in the box. "Oh, that's my mongoose," replied the fellow. "You see, after I've been drinking for a few days I get the snakes, and my mongoose protects me. He kills the snakes." "G'wan!" jeered the bartender. "How can your mongoose kill those? Why, they're imaginary!" "Oh, that's all right," was the surprising answer. "So is the mongoose!"

### O. I. C.

A dowager walked into an antique shop and asked the proprietor for something in an antique table.

"I've got just what you want, Madame," said the proprietor. "Step but into the backroom please."

The two of them made their way to the backroom where the proprietor pointed to a wormy-looking table and said, "There it is, lady, a genuine antique, and it's yours for \$750."

"But are you sure that it's a real antique?"

"Indeed, do you see those initials on the bottom—Q. E.? That means that the table once belonged to Queen Elizabeth."

The old gal arched her eyebrows and remarked, "I suppose that that you'd have me believe that that old door back there marked 'W.C.' belonged to William the Conqueror?"

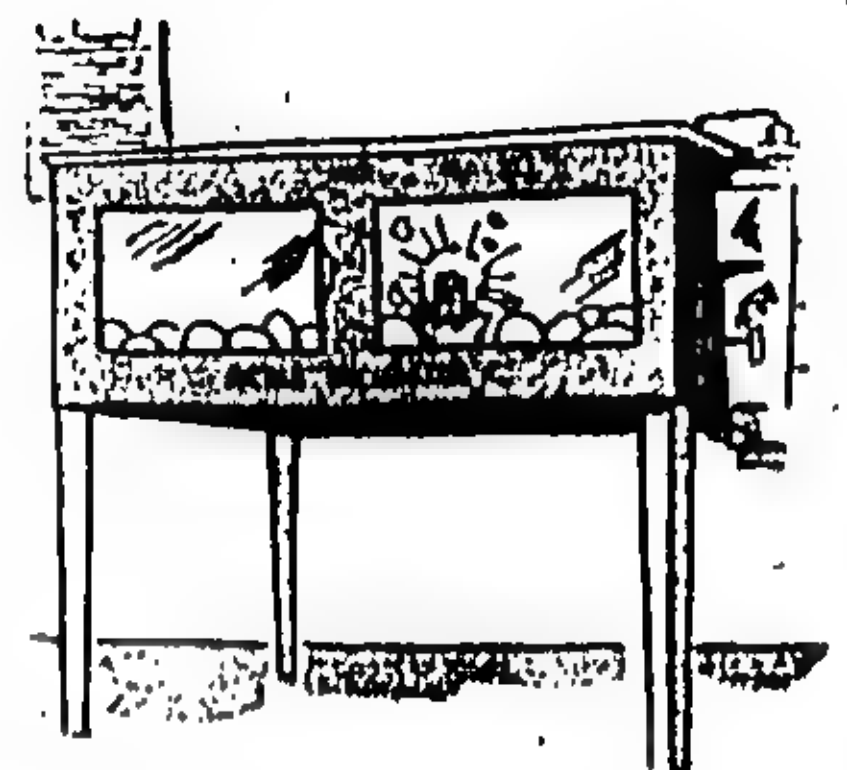
### CAN YOU BEAT THIS'N?

Owgust Schoennemann was inordinately fond of that masterful, authoritative variety of cheese known the world around as Limburger, and he took a goodly supply of it with him when he went to work in a Minnesota lumber camp. Everybody else in the bunkhouse kicked about it and gagged themselves to sleep the first night, but Owgust was a husky, and he kept his cheese. Next day, in order to keep the men from leaving, the cook swiped the offending box and locked it up in an unused refrigerator in the cookhouse. But such was the poignancy of the German product that Owgust easily traced it down and got on very nicely simply by rubbing his rye bread on the outside of the refrigerator door. Then his breath was such as to empty the bunkhouse of his co-laborers again.

Next day the foreman, not wishing to discharge so good a worker as Owgust proved to be, and not willing to lose his gang, either took matters into his own hands. He locked the cookhouse itself, and took the key away with him to the office.

"That guy'll be cheeseless tonight, at supper, boys," he passed the word around.

That evening, at suppertime Owgust was missing, and the gang went out to see what had become of him. They found him happily eating his evening loaf of rye bread and rubbing each slice of it up and down a pane in the cookhouse window.



"Looks like I'll be an only child; ma's blown a fuse."—Illustrated, London.

### PICKLE-POT

Old Doc Epsom had been treating a man for dispepsia for a long time, and finally, wishing to know how his patient was coming on, he told him to take a pickle just before going to bed and see if he could hold it on his stomach overnight. The next day the man called and the physician asked him the result. "Oh, it was all right doctor," he said, "as long as I was awake, but when I went to sleep it rolled off."

### JUSTICE IS BLIND

The latest legal story going the rounds is about a famous criminal lawyer, who was so clever he could make Justice jump through a hoop. After winning one particularly bad case, the rival attorney said to him bitterly:

"Is there any case so low, so foul, so vilely crooked and so shameful that you'd refuse to handle it?"

"That all depends," said the well known attorney. "What have you done?"

### AN EARLY SETTLER

"Carnivorous animals," explained the teacher, "are those that eat meat—they hunt and kill game for food. Dogs and cats are examples."

"Well, teacher," said Little Willie who had been listening intently, "dogs are a lot more carnivorous than cats, aren't they?"

"Why, no, Willie, I don't think so—what makes you think that?"

"Cuz when they're hunting they don't quit till they get their game, and cats do, that's why."

"Is that so? I always supposed cats kept after their prey as persistently as dogs."

"No, ma'am, they sure don't. When our Fido's digging for a gopher he keeps on digging till he gets him, but our cat only digs a little ways before he gets discouraged and gives up and sets down in the hole."

### HE GOT THE BUTT

Times are so tough down Boy Street that the tickler tape boys get a big kick out of relating the following joke. It has to do with the boss who saw a cigarette stub on the floor. Summoning his office boy before him, he pointed to the object and asked, "Joe, is that yours?"

The office boy hesitated and then made the admission that, "I don't think I can claim it, sir. You saw it first."

### A RACY STORY

A man decided to take his wife to the races. They were just leading the horses from the paddock on that memorable day and the wife was nearly beside herself with the thrill of the scene.

Suddenly, as the horses were getting into position at the barrier, she grasped her husband by the arm and in a voice which was filled with nervous emotion, asked him for a safety pin, "meanwhile grabbing frantically after something that seemed to be slipping around her knees."

Just then someone nearby shouted—"THEY'RE OFF!" And the terrified lady fainted.



## BRIEFETTES

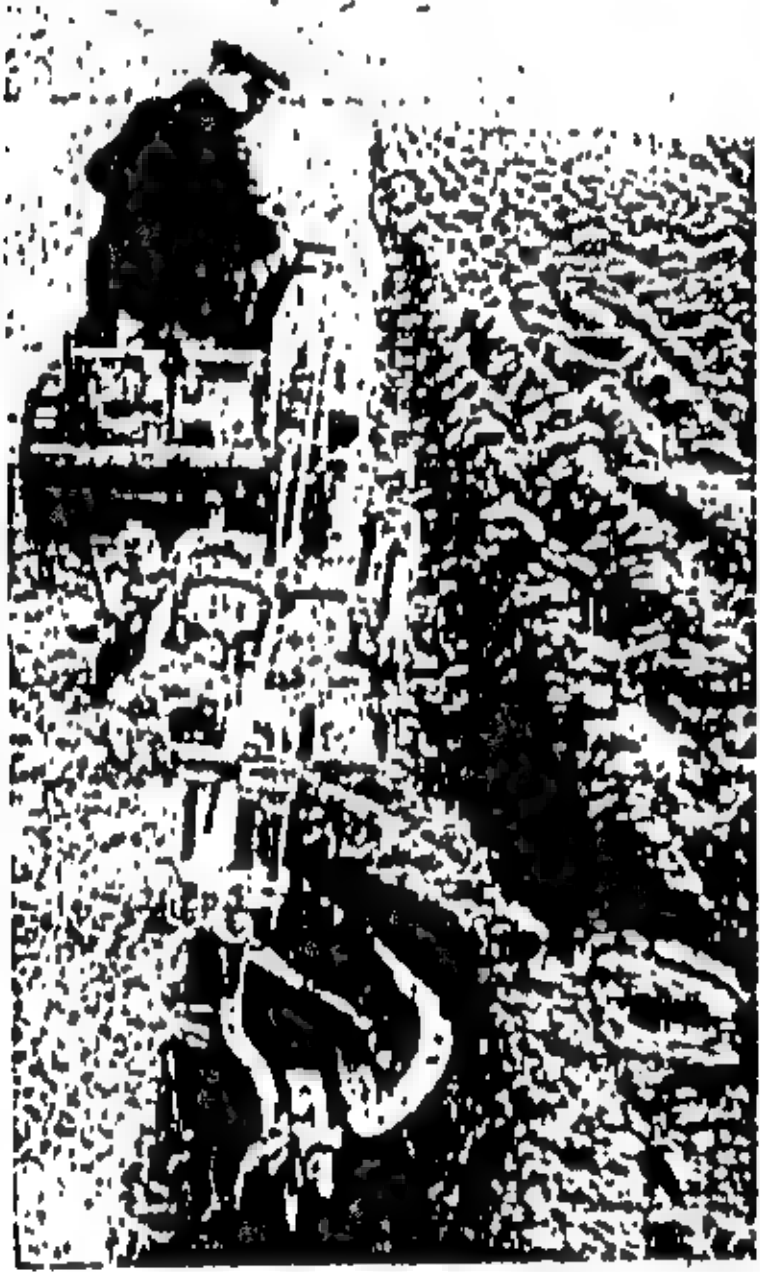
## POLITICIAN

His campaign was a pleasant one,  
And worthy, here, of note;  
He only kissed the babies who  
Were old enough to vote.  
— Elizabeth Fowler Draper in  
Saturday Evening Post.

## IN SHANGHAI

Here is a true story that might have been written by Kipling. Shanghai to-day is a horror spot where famine and disease lurk in every corner. Passers-by are stopped by authorities and vaccinated, whether they like it or not. Then they are given a certificate showing that they have been duly vaccinated. But there are always rascals: and these devised a stratagem. They bought the indispensable certificate from those who had already received them. Thus original business transaction became very popular: the price of the certificate was a dollar.

A "coolie" thought he saw how to make his fortune out of it. He would have himself vaccinated over and over again and sell the certificates. How many dollar bills he would collect! In a few days he found himself the possessor of the munificent sum of seven dollars. The next morning his treasure hoard had increased to eight dollars. Then the coolie began dreaming. "When



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I have twenty dollars . . . when I have twenty-five dollars. . . . He had himself vaccinated for the ninth time, but he never got the money. . . . He was dead before they could hand it to him.—Robert de Saint-Jean in Paris-Soir, Paris.

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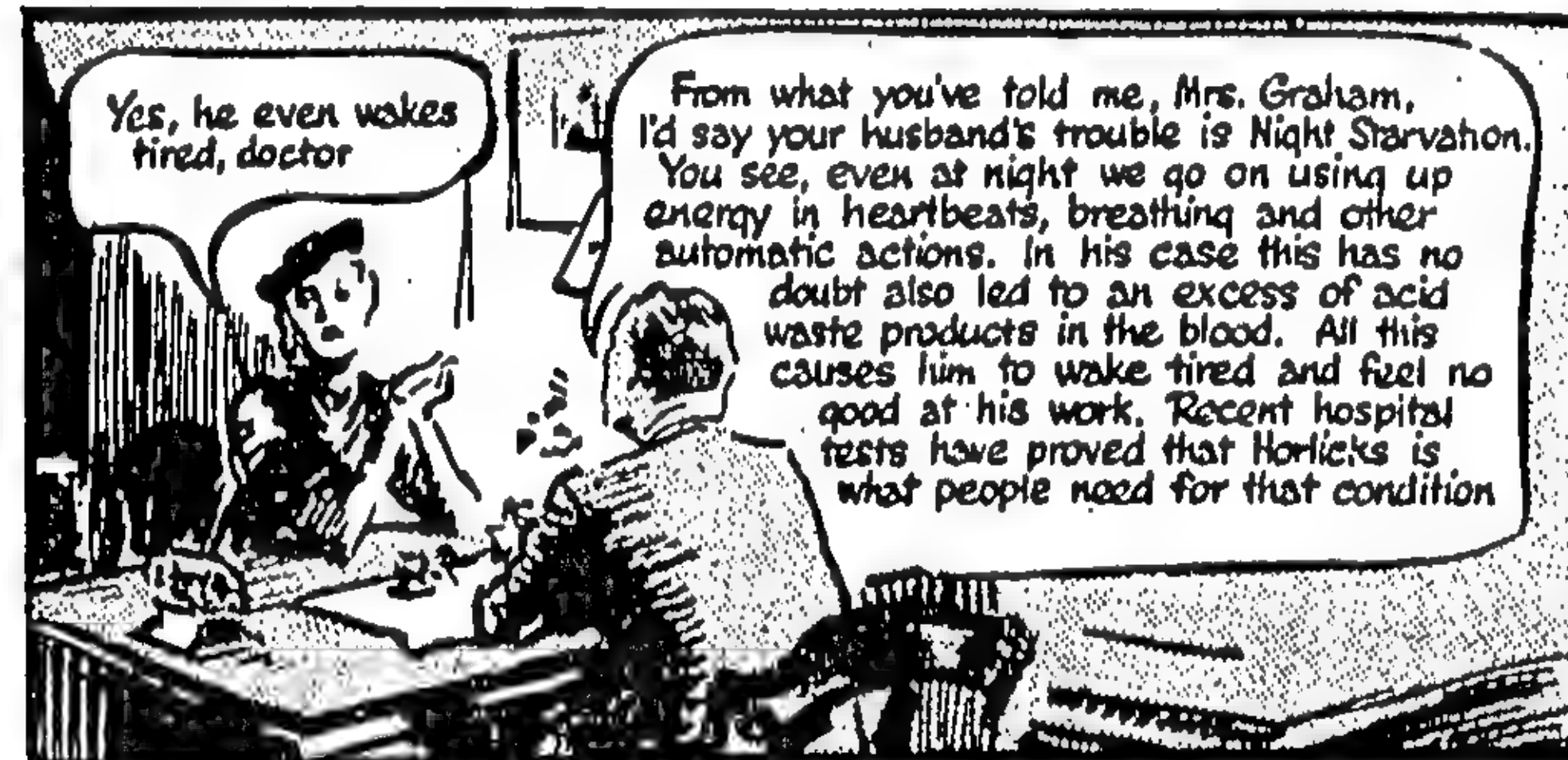
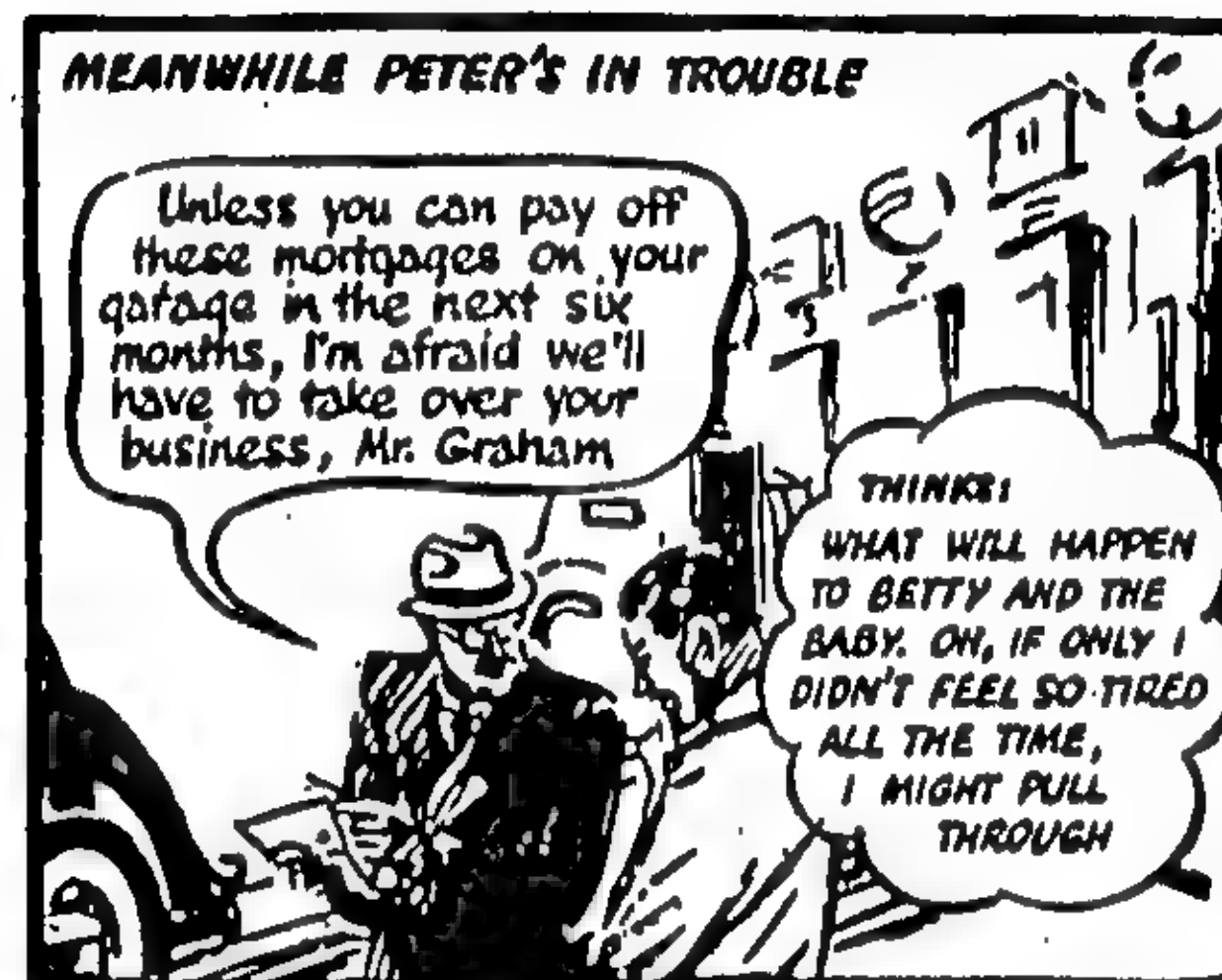
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## A CORRECTION

THE caption appearing in last Sunday's Pictorial Supplement under a group photograph of people said to have been present at the Hong Kong University's Christmas Dinner Dance, should have read "the Rieel Hall Students' Association Dance held in celebration of the Tenth Anniversary of Rieel Hall."



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## WEDDINGS



Among the recent Chinese weddings was that of Mr. Ng Kok Nim and Miss Li Yin Yuk, which took place at the Kam Ling Hotel. (King's Studio).



The Rev. Frank Evison, and his bride, the former Miss Annie Wild, who were married at the English Methodist Church, Wanchai, on December 23. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Wild, of Oldham, Lancaster, and is a recent arrival, while the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Evison of Oldham, Lancaster and is now at Tung Chung, Hong Kong.



The Kam Ling Hotel was the scene of this recent marriage between Mr. Ng Yule Man and Miss Young Yuet Yuen. (King's Studio).



Mr. and Mrs. Lau Tin Kwong whose recent marriage took place at the Registry, Supreme Court. The bride is the former Miss Wah Chun. (King's Studio).



At the Peak Church on December 23, Miss Margery Grace Knapman became the bride of Mr. Eric Arthur Matthews. The couple are seen above following the ceremony.



The marriage between Mr. Li Wing Ket and Miss Kwong Fong Mul took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, on December 22. They are shown above after the ceremony. (King's Studio)



On December 21, the marriage between Mr. Poon Ying Chiu and Miss Ling Tsui Kio was solemnized at the Registry, Supreme Court. The couple, who are shown above, posed for this photograph following the ceremony. (King's Studio)

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# SOVIET'S WAR WITH GHOSTS

Graphic First-Hand Story Of Fighting In Finland: War In White

## NAZIS TO AID REDS?

Stockholm, Yesterday.

There is a general impression in Berlin that an exchange of views has occurred between Germany and Russia on conditions governing developments in the North.

Undoubtedly (says the "Dagbladet") it is very near the truth to reckon on complete co-ordination between Moscow and Berlin.

BOTH ARE AGREED THAT THE SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES CANNOT BECOME A CHANNEL FOR ASSISTANCE TO FINLAND WITHOUT BEING CONSIDERED TO HAVE ABANDONED THEIR NEUTRALITY.

Indeed, the circumstances are such that the shape of the help given to Finland, in Scandinavia especially, will become the criterion by which Russia and Germany will eventually judge allegations of Scandinavian breaches of neutrality.

It is expected that such allegations will not be long delayed. — Reuter.



Celebrations of Finland's independence were marked on December 10 in London with a service at the Finnish Church, Stepney. Many wore national costumes. Photo shows Mr. Gripenberg, the Finnish Minister in London, greeting Finnish girls in national costume on arrival at the church. (Copyright, Fox).

## MORE VOLUNTEERS FROM SWEDEN

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Stockholm, Yesterday.

A second Swedish volunteer medical unit, including 150 persons, is leaving for Finland shortly.

A third unit, which will consist of physicians, nurses and dentists, is being formed. — Havas.

## Vain Russian Attacks Over Taipale River

[By Our Special Correspondent in Finland, Leland Stowe, the well-known American journalist, by telegram.]

With the Finnish Army on Karelian Isthmus Front.

From a front line trench on a pine ridge above the banks of Taipale River, we watched the Russian artillery hurl three-inch and six-inch shells over the Finnish lines this afternoon at the rate of one every five seconds.

For more than an hour the Soviet bombardment was exceedingly brisk. Burst after burst of explosives crashed at the edge of the pine forest where the Finns have been digging-in on the northern bank of the river for more than a week.

But the Finnish artillery disdained to reply and although they shelled all day long, the Reds never once attempted to lay pontoon bridges or to send forward their infantry.

This front lies on the extreme eastern side of the Karelian Isthmus and is of great strategic importance. The Russians have been hammering fiercely by land and by small ships on Lake Ladoga, in desperate recurrent efforts to cross Taipale River and so to fight their way along the north shore of little Lake Suvanto to Sakkola — a key east wing outpost of the Mannerheim Line.

After a whole day at the front it is now possible to report from first hand observation that the Finnish Army has got the Russians dead in its clutches on the southern banks of the Taipale River and Moscow's claims to have penetrated Finnish territory on the isthmus by fifty or sixty miles are completely unfounded.

Our party crossed the isthmus from Viipuri to Lake Ladoga without coming within many miles of the Russian invaders.

It is also possible to say definitely that the Red Army has made concentrated attacks on the Taipale River front in the last few days. The Finns have beaten back every one of these with heavy losses to the Russians and for eight days now the invaders have made no progress whatsoever in this vital sector.

Beyond this is the fact that the Finnish forces are very strongly entrenched in thick pine forests and on rising ground. The river, two hundred yards wide at this point, forms a formidable first line defence while the forest completely conceals the Finnish batteries of machine-gun nests. The Finns are highly confident, remarkably organized, and commanded by experienced officers who are most impressive.

### Gun Boom

We were four American correspondents and we heard Russian guns booming from early morning when still well behind the lines. But by two o'clock we stood in the first line trenches directly above Taipale River and were looking over at another ridge, about 350 yards away, where the Red infantry lurked in woods on the southern side of the river.

The view from our ridge was remarkably unobstructed. We heard six-inch shells roar every few seconds. Then the forest would catapult masses of "back-slash" and limbs of trees, flaming perhaps a hundred feet into the air, slashed blood red against the snow and the grey sky.

But not a single Finnish soldier could be seen in that vicinity. The Russians mixed machine-gun and rifle fire with continual doses of heavier shells, but the Finns remained silent and apparently unmoved in their fortress of pine trees. Their commanding officer had previously told us that the Reds were using up ten times as much ammunition as the Finnish forces are doing.

"Then what are they hitting?" I asked.

### Spoiling Forests!

"Just spoiling our forests!" replied the Colonel "actually, the Russians have not located a single one of our batteries yet—and we have some especially well-placed ones that we have not fired at all up to now." The Russian shells did pass us on our right. We heard them whine and watched for bursts—most of which were about 800 yards away and could be seen very clearly. But quite often the whining sound died out into silence—these were duds, and the percentage of them was abnormally high.

Finnish officers assured us that the marksmanship of the Soviet artillery was "pretty bad," nor could they explain the sheer waste of this bombardment, unaccompanied by any attempt at attack.

Someone suggested that perhaps Red commanders felt compelled to keep firing for fear of being accused of treachery or lack of ardour by political commissars and OGPU observers at their elbows.

In any case this day—which was described as calm by the Finns—revealed more heavy gunfire in this sector than we had heard at any one time during two months on the Western Front. It proved to us conclusively that the Russo-Finnish war was not in earnest and that the Finns have fought the Reds to a standstill, except in the centre and north where the Soviet troops are reported retreating in disorder.

In an expertly camouflaged observation post we watched the bombardment through field-glasses for some time. In the nearest lines on their side of the river, Russian cavalry was dashing back and forth without accomplishing anything that we could observe.

### No Taste For More

Behind a farm building a small body of troops was gathered but they stayed there. Occasionally a shell whined somewhat nearer to us, but none came over our stretch of front line trenches.

The Russians had tried to cross the river and storm these sectors during the night. They had suffered too dearly in the attempt to try again soon. As for the infantry entrenched on the opposite ridge, they did not fire at all until we left as dusk was falling.

Our first contact with the actual fighting front yielded much valuable information. We saw the remarkable thoroughness with which the Finns have constructed their defence positions.

We were compelled to admire the manner in which they utilized the natural advantages of forest and terrain. Their dug-outs, hidden deep in woods, were models of safety and warmth. Their Divisional Headquarters had big pines and white birches planted above it.

The tents wherein soldiers sleep are most comfortable and heated by tiny stoves, the floors are expertly bedded with tree-branches and straw. In the world of snow the Finnish infantry wears white hoods and white top-coats so that they can scarcely be seen at fifty feet when standing still.

### Pontoons Shattered

We also learned the first details of the Red army's repeated failures to cross Taipale River. On December 6, Finland's Independence Day, the Russians laid down a vicious artillery barrage and then launched pontoons on the river. With three shots the Finnish artillery smashed the pontoons and caused several hundred enemy casualties. The Reds attacked again on December 11th, 16th, 25th. Each time they were driven back.

A Finnish Colonel told us that after their December 11th onslaught, the Russians were "washed up." The Soviet sent new troops, he said, but these did not last.

When the Red troops retired in panic at Christmas, the Finns say they heard machine-gun firing behind the Russian lines. They assume that many of these troops were shot down by OGPU special forces which attacked their rear.

The Russians have employed ten batteries of artillery—on thirty-eight-inch guns, over a front of three miles. They have kept them roaring from early morning until eight o'clock at night, with field guns and tanks firing in addition, but to no avail.

### Futile Bark

On our way through pine forests to the line saw ample evidence of the intensity of Red artillery fire. It was a three mile walk over a snow-covered path. From the outset the wood was spotted by occasional shell holes, especially near the narrow road. Then, about half a mile back from the first-line trenches, we came to where the Russians had really concentrated their explosives. Huge pine trees have been ripped and tossed in every direction and blurt from scores of shell-holes blackened the snow.

Batteries are there and so are Finnish troops, well fed, well housed and as complacent as a Guards regiment at summer manoeuvres. But these gun men are part of the forests in which they have always been at home since childhood. This is a war in white and a war of ghosts. The Russians are notoriously afraid of these forests at night. It seems that they also have ample reason to be worried about the Finnish ghosts! (World copyright).

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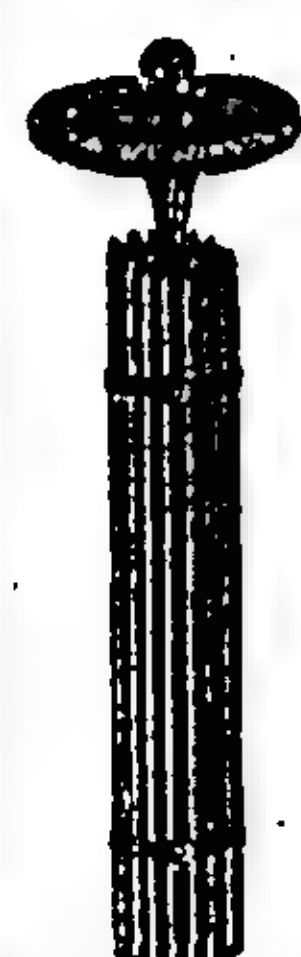
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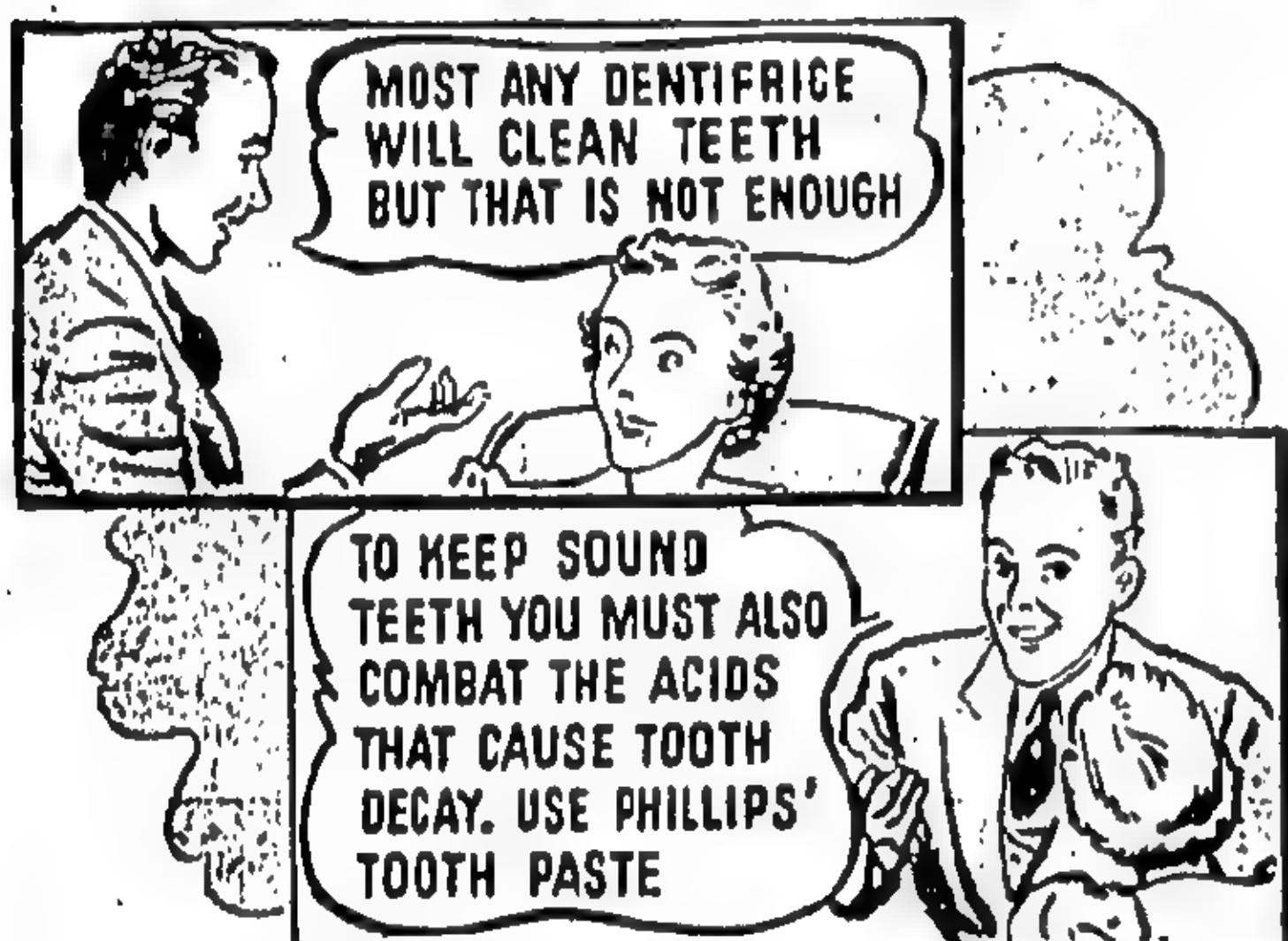
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IN this world, the explanation of folly is more certain than the explanation of crime. A year ago, there was committed the folly of Munich, for which ever since we have been paying the price. The debt is not yet liquidated, the interest is still accumulating.

Not the least part of the folly that was there perpetrated was the blindness which induced four of the great powers of Europe to slam the door in the face of the fifth. When the frontiers of Europe were redrawn at Munich—in the opinion of some people assuring peace with honour for our time—Russia, which for more than a century had hovered over the continent of Europe like a vast thundercloud, pregnant with menace, was treated almost with contempt. She has since designed and encouraged the war from which, so far, she is the power which has reaped, at least cost, the greatest advantage. The invasion of Finland by the Russian Soviet is the most brutal and barbarous act of modern history.

By the term "modern history" is meant that period which is divided by the Renaissance and the Reformation from the Middle Ages. Such cynical disregard for international obligations, for ethical principles and, for world opinion was never displayed either by Peter the Great of Russia or Frederick the Second of Prussia, although both those monarchs set their respective countries' deplorable examples of cruelty and perfidy, which in each case have been only too faithfully followed by their less talented but equally unprincipled successors. Russia has now plainly embarked upon a programme similar to that which Germany has been successfully pursuing since the beginning of the Hitler regime. The technique is simple: lengthy preparations are made for a short war against a small country. When the preparations are complete, the blow falls with lightning rapidity. Overwhelming numbers are brought to bear where resistance must prove hopeless. At first, it was customary to trump up some feeble excuse for the commission of the crime, but as the criminals became more hardened there was a growing tendency to dis-

pose with all excuses. The Russians are an ignorant people—more ignorant probably under the Soviets than they were under the Tsars, for learning to read and write is of little service to those who are allowed to read only what Stalin considers good for them, and who dare not write anything that is not in accordance with the communist copy book. But ignorant as they are, the Russian people can hardly be expected to believe their Fuehrer when he tells them that they are fighting in self-defence against the ferocious attacks of the formidable Finns.

It would be interesting to know with what feelings the deluded German people are contemplating these events. For six years and more, they have been assured by their infallible Leader that the Bolsheviks constitute the greatest menace to the civilisation of the world. For ten years earlier, the same belief had been propagated through the land in the widely circulated pages of "Mein Kampf."

There was much in the creed and behaviour of the Nazis that was abhorrent to the majority of the German people. The conservative, officer class shuddered when the Army was compelled to take the oath of allegiance to an ex-lance-corporal who spoke German with the accent of the streets of Vienna. The vast Roman Catholic population of the south saw with horror the advantages of religious education being denied to their children, who were encouraged to embrace the neo-paganism of Alfred Rosenberg. The still larger Protestant community in the land of Luther sorrowed to see those preachers, who, in the courage of their convictions most strongly resembled Luther, being carried away into concentration camps from which they never emerged.

But all doubts and fears of these conservative and religious circles were silenced by the oft-repeated slogan "Anything is better than Communism." And even in other lands there were people who were so foolish as to argue, "You may say what you like about Hitler, but at least he has saved Europe from Communism."

And now, in the hour of trial, the astonished eyes of his followers, behold the red hordes of Stalin are the only friends that Hitler, the anti-communist champion, can find in the whole world. But it is not only those who hate communism and those who fear atheism that must be profoundly disturbed by the present trend of events. Germans are nei-

By the Rt. Hon.  
ALFRED  
DUFF-COOPER

ther stupid nor ignorant, and many of them have studied the history of their country and are well acquainted with the political and strategic problems of Europe, which existed long before the Nazi nonsense was invented and which will survive its dispersion into thin air.

Since the creation of the Reich in 1871, which made Germany the dominant power on the continent of Europe, she had had only one thing to fear. France, with only half Germany's population, could present no menace. Great Britain, without an army, could never be an aggressor. But always in the north-east, there loomed that vast and impregnable country, whose population doubled that which Germany, even now with the addition of Austria and Czechoslovakia, could command, and which had beyond its own borders, in south-eastern Europe, large hosts of warlike people, Slavonic in origin, who looked to Russia as their natural protector and friend.

The Slav menace was for Germany a real menace, and fear of it was the best excuse that she could ever produce for having precipitated the war of 1914. The colossus proved in the event to have feet of clay and if Russia were to engage in real warfare with a great power, it is more than likely that that clay would be found not to have solidified as the result of twenty-two years of Bolshevik tyranny.

It is, however, remarkable that, owing to the stupidity of Hitler's for-

eign policy, he should have been compelled not only to befriend, but also to make vital concessions to the one power in Europe from which he has most to fear. He had been driven into the arms of Russia. It is not good to hug the bear. Already he is beginning to feel those strong arms clasp round him and to wonder what he has gained from the embrace.

The much abused Treaty of Versailles conferred many undeserved benefits on Germany, not only was the substantial buffer state of Poland erected between her and her more powerful neighbour, but the creation of the independent states on the Baltic Sea seemed to destroy for ever Russia's preponderance in those waters. Yet to-day, while Russia, using Estonia as a base, is attacking Finland, the German populations which have lived in those Baltic countries for centuries are being rapidly evacuated in order that the subservient Hitler may obediently carry out the commands of the imperious Stalin.

In these strange and sinister cir-

cumstances, the wisest policy must surely be watchfully to wait the tortuous developments of this unnatural alliance. There is a proverb that when thieves fall out, honest men may come by their own. But it would be too optimistic to hope that the great thieves of Europe will fall out, so long as there remains ample booty for both. The chance of forming a great confederation of peace-loving powers to prevent aggression was missed, and it is probably too late to recapture it.

Meanwhile, the best gift that the democracies can offer to the sufferers is the assurance that their independence will be restored at the peace. This was all that could be offered to Belgium and Serbia in the last war, and it proved sufficient to keep up their hearts. Expeditionary forces to small countries, only prolonged hopeless fighting and useless bloodshed. Patience is one of the supreme virtues, in war as in peace. Patience, combined with power, must ultimately prevail.

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## Afterwards—We Must Win The Peace

By the Rt. Hon.  
ARTHUR  
GREENWOOD

LAST week in the House of Commons we debated the question of the organisation of Britain's man and material power during and after the war. It is no use hiding from ourselves, first, that modern warfare is a tremendously costly business, and, secondly, that we shall have to face a pretty grim situation when the war is over.

What the total cost of the war is likely to be no one can say. But that it will very seriously deplete our material resources no one can deny. As the war proceeds there will be greater and greater demands upon industry and trade. How are they to be met? They can only be met by utilising our man power to the full, and making the best possible use of the economic equipment of the country.

We ought not, especially when we think of the large numbers of men now giving full time service in the fighting forces and in civil defence, to have so large an army of unem-

ployed. The number of workless is far larger than the number of registered unemployed. There is, therefore, a large reserve of man power on which to draw so as to strengthen our war effort.

There are factories capable of being diverted to urgent war purposes which are still not being fully used. Here again there is a reserve which ought to be brought into action. There is a host of smaller firms who can and should make a valuable contribution to wartime production.

In other words, our industrial resources should be mobilised to the last man, the last factory, and the last machine. Such mobilisation implies national organisation, as envisaged by the Labour Party.

But we need this organisation not only for purposes directly connected with the war. We need it so as to ensure the maintenance of proper standards of life, and to enable us to get rid of social injustices. After all, this war is a war for justice and freedom—a struggle against Powers which have destroyed weaker nations and suppressed liberty. Britain must, however difficult times may be, prove that even in the hard circumstances of war, she is prepared to remove minor injustices as an indication of her belief in justice, as the essential foundation of real freedom.

But this is not the end of the story. It would be a tragedy if when the armistice is called, and we turn our backs on war, we are not prepared to face the colossal tasks of peace. For that we shall need to keep every scrap of organisation and every bit of public mobilisation brought together for the purposes of war.

The conversion from war to peace conditions will be a great task. We shall have to beat swords into ploughshares, to convert the plant and equipment previously devoted to war ends to normal peace purposes. We shall have to demobilise large numbers of men and bring them back into effective civil life, without the degradation of a long waiting period of idleness.

We must do far more than this. We must so organise what is left to us, after the war has deprived us of valuable human lives and a vast amount of material wealth, that we get the best out of life, and are enabled to work our way to the real freedom which Hitler would have denied us.

This work of reconstruction in Britain, quite apart from the gigantic problem of establishing a constructive peace abroad, will take all our efforts and call forth all our determination and our pride in permanent achievement. It would be a disaster, if, having won a war for freedom, we were to face in the coming years the slavery of poverty and insecurity. Having established the foundations of freedom for Europe and the world, we must build upon them the conditions of life on which alone freedom can be enjoyed.

It is no use waiting until the giant of despair stalks across the country after the war ends and the land is full of derelict factories and idle men. What is going to be the prospect if when war ends we face the terrific problems of reconstruction without thought, without plans and without prepared machinery? The answer is chaos and growing misery.

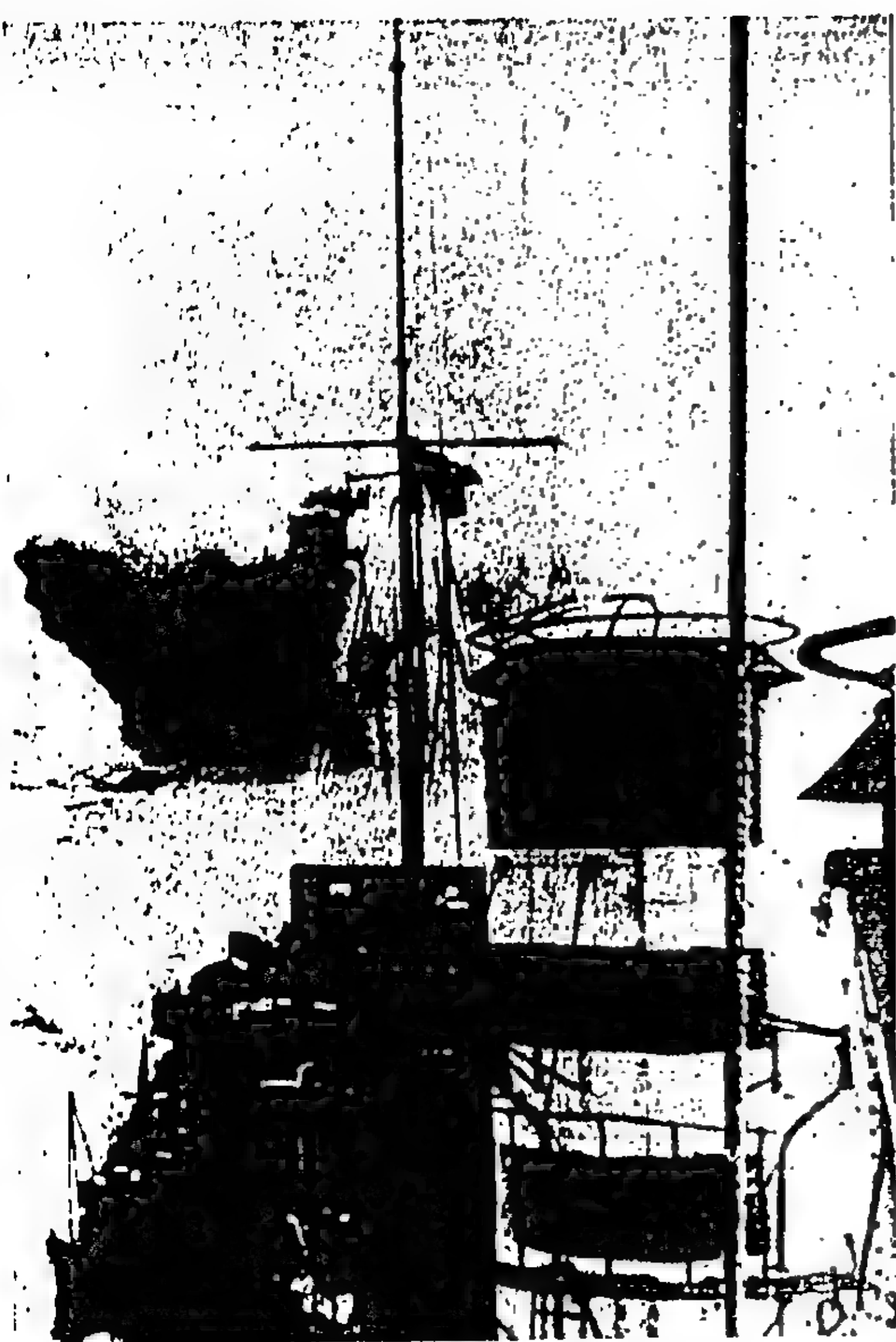
Britain must, therefore, without delay set aside men and women of varied experience and knowledge of life to examine the great problems of the future and concert measures to deal with them. This the Government flatly declines to do. It says, and quite rightly, that the first task is to win the war. But it cannot be allowed to forget that military victory alone cannot ensure that the peace will be won unless early steps are taken to plan for peace and prosperity.

Just as the State needs its Committee of Imperial Defence working out plans and making preparations in peace time, so in wartime there should be some similar agency carrying out the same functions regarding the labours of the future time of peace.

Britain cannot neglect this task, and British Labour will not cease to press for both thought and action now, so as to provide the basis on which she can help rebuild a shattered world.

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Flying debris, water and a rising cloud of thick black smoke and oil mark the death blow delivered by a French destroyer to a U-boat which she had successfully hunted down.



Survivors of the freighter Fanad Head, torpedeed by a U-boat, wave their caps in relieved greeting as an Allied patrol plane flies overhead and lets them know that help soon will be at hand.

## NAZI TERROR IN POLAND

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

New York, Yesterday.  
A harrowing description of German terrorism in Poland was received to-day by the "Herald Tribune" from its Rome correspondent, James Minifie.

It takes the form of an interview with two refugee Poles, described as men of substance and standing. They predict that one of the worst famines in history will occur in Poland through the Germans' systematic removal of all food-stuffs.

While the western part of the country, which has been definitely incorporated in the Reich, is being methodically Germanised by expropriating and evacuating Poles, the area around Warsaw, Lublin and Cracow is being transformed into a kind of No-man's-land, into which Polish refugees are being driven, but which is being painstakingly stripped of everything worth taking.

### PLUNDER AND MURDER

"The Nazis," according to this account, "are worse than the Bolsheviks. Plundering and murder go on in Russian territories in the haphazard and chaotic way—in German territories, it is systematic and organized."

A 7 p.m. curfew is strictly enforced in Warsaw and anyone found in the streets after that hour without a permit is promptly shot.

The body of one young man was returned to parents with a card round his neck bearing the figures "7.15" as a grim explanation of his death—Havas.

The 16-year-old son of Marshal Voroshiloff, Soviet Defence Commissar, is now President of the Russian Atheist Youth Organisation, a post formerly held by a son of M. Litvinoff, former Foreign Commissar.

## The Frightful Finn - - - by YAFFLE

WILL no voice be raised in defence of the Workers' Republic? Is Justice dumb? Reading from right to left the answers are as follows: Yes. No.

Russia stands with her back to the wall, boldly facing the Finns, both of them. Calmly, unflinchingly, Russia waits for death, preferring liquidation to dishonour.

One after another, the small States are violating the rights of Big Nations.

Truculent and aggressive, cynically indifferent to the historical necessity, they are demanding the right to govern themselves. And now the Mailed Fist of Finland darkens the sky, striking terror into the hearts of all the Russians who've heard about it.

Finland, the Mad Dog of the Baltic! Never, since Britain stood with her back to the wall as the last bulwark of Christendom against Tibetan Militarism, has such a terribly leeny weeny nation so ruthlessly threatened such a whacking big one. The world grows more insecure every day. You can't even rely on mathematics.

Virtue seems of no account. You may be the Co-operative Commonwealth and the Great Friend of the World's Underdog; you may be the Dawn of Hope for the Toiling Masses. But you get bullied just the same.

Russia did not seek this war. All she asked was to cut slices off Finland in peace. She wanted nothing but permission to go her own way unmolested in other people's territory. But Finland, drunk with power, ruthlessly insisted on sticking to her own property. With callous disregard of her neighbour's dropsy, she curtly ordered Russia to stay the same size.

Russia staggered under the blow. The shock of being defied by such a small nation was too much for the sensitive soul of the Slav. For a while she lay prostrate with a pain in the neck, caused by a bite from a Finnie Addick.

Hopelessness fell upon Moscow. An atmosphere of Chekovian gloom pervaded the Kremlin. Stalin ordered purge after purge to clear the air, but in vain. Thousands of Commissars hanged themselves. Thousands more, in even darker mood, sat around reading Russian comedies. Millions of moujiks threw their wives into the Volga.

Then Russia awoke to her duty. She remembered that the eye of Bloomsbury was upon her. She recalled her destiny to free the slaves of capitalism from their bondage. When the Finns demanded the free use of their own minerals, Russia replied, "You may torture my body, but you cannot chain my soul. Get off my foot!"

And so, Russia stands with her back to the wall, fearlessly facing the Finn. Seen through a microscope, the odds are terrible: One Frightful Finn to every 50 Russians. And the Finns have got a lot of elks.

But Russia will stand firm. Her soul, tempered in the fires of revolution, will rise to the call of peril and sacrifice. Strong in the faith that it is her destiny to teach the world a new way of life, nought can weaken her strength of purpose. Finnish women and children will dodge her bombs in vain.

What did Karl Marx say on page 1752?—"You can't catch a Socialist Republic by dropping a ball on its tail!"

And in this task of world regeneration, Russia is united as one man. Or,

If not as one man, then as one Ideological Norm.

This is the Yaffle Broadcasting Service, and Germ-Defying Mouthwash.

The Select Committee appointed by the Department for the Maintenance of the National Morale for the Elucidation of Moral and Religious Problems will shortly issue its Report.

The Committee's objects were: (a) To revise and modernise the rules and regulations for the Conduct of Christian Warfare;

(b) To explain the moral, theological and metaphysical distinctions between the various ways of damaging civilians.

The chairman, Dr. Wyndie, Bishop of Bicester, in an interview with our representative, deplored the prevalence of the lax modern view that one way of attacking women and children was as bad as another.

In determining the comparative degrees of moral turpitude attaching to the use of the various methods of attack, the bishop said the deciding factor was: Who Did It First?

This, he said, was important in view of the frequency with which a Christian nation, having denounced a certain practice as barbaric, found itself subsequently obliged, in self-defence, to adopt that practice itself.

Many lay minds, said the bishop, were burdened by the fear that by adopting the methods of the enemy they lowered themselves to his moral level. The findings of the Committee, however, were reassuring on that point. The Report states:

(a) That the state of grace of a soldier who bombs women and children AFTER it has been done by the other side is 45 per cent. higher than that of a soldier on the side that began it.

(b) That the side which reluctantly adopts the use of a forbidden weapon AS A RETALIATORY MEASURE is automatically absolved from all moral responsibility for its use, and shall be regarded, in a moral sense, as not having used it.

(c) That the women and children victims of any such retaliatory measure shall be deemed, in an historical sense, to have suffered less than those who are killed or wounded by the side which did it first.

The Committee did not reach full agreement. A Minority Report will, therefore, be issued, dissenting from the view that the killing or dismembering of civilians after it has been done by the enemy is any more Christian than to do it first.

It calls attention to the words of the Prime Minister, who, when denouncing the enemy's methods of warfare, said, "The mine cannot discriminate," and recommends that the world be given an official assurance that British weapons do discriminate. It therefore urges the Government to announce that British bombs are so constructed as to sweep aside when approaching any child, church, hospital or female person.

(Next week: "How to love your enemy while swatting him," by a Rural Dean.)

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(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

New York, Yesterday. ADMIRAL HARRY E. YARNELL, U.S.N. retired, former commander of the United States Asiatic Fleet, told an audience here that the three vital factors in Far Eastern peace must be "a stable and independent China, subordination of the Japanese Army and Navy to the civil government of Japan, and an assurance to Japan that in time of peace there will be no discrimination against her goods and no denial of her access of raw materials."

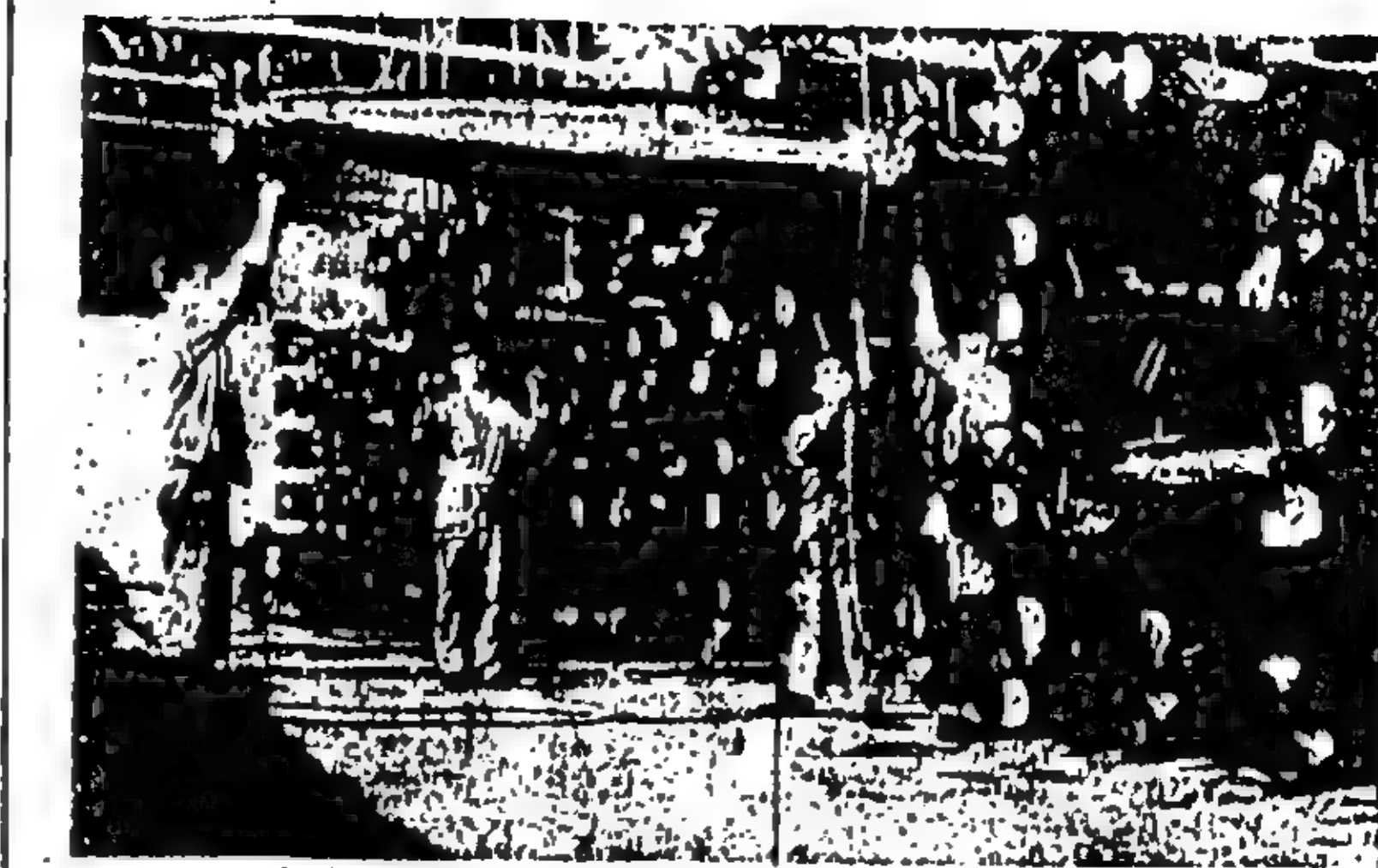
Admiral Yarnell said that a settlement of the long-disputed issues in the Far East might have to await conclusion of the European War.

But "peace is bound to come in time," he added, "and when it does come there must be a peace of understanding, with full recognition of the legitimate needs of all nations for the improvement of standards of living of their people and security for the future."

Speaking of the "efficient and well-trained army of Japan," Admiral Yarnell said the army was seriously mistaken when it assumed the "authorities in Tokyo that it would be a short war lasting only a few months, at the end of which they would be in undisputed possession of the five northern provinces, which was their goal."

Subordination of the Japanese military to their government is an essential factor of peace, he went on, "since there can be no peace for the Far East as long as the Japanese Army and Navy dictate the present national policy of extension of their domination by armed force over the Far East and, as some extremists have announced, over the whole world."

As an inducement to Japan to abandon her present policy, he continued, there must be a willingness on the part of the "have" nations to export a reasonable percentage of raw materials to Japan and that such co-operation would solve the problem of markets for a long time to come.



Handle her easy, torpedoes are dangerous playthings. This photograph was snapped in one of the British Navy's well-stocked munition dumps. The "tin fish" are all ready for immediate use. (Passed By Censor).

U.S. AND  
GENERAL  
HOMMA

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

New York, Yesterday. The "New York Herald Tribune" takes sharp exception to remarks made in Tientsin by Lieut. Gen. Homma, of the Japanese army who, in effect, is reported to have said that if the United States does not sign a satisfactory commercial treaty with Japan he will make it difficult for Americans in North China.

The "Tribune" remarks that "although this little Japanese commander quotes no higher authority than himself" his words might have created a sensation in the United States "if European potentates had not been putting such a heavy strain on the world's capacity for being shocked, or even startled."

"If these remarks," the "Herald Tribune" goes on to say, "have let any doubt that this Japanese blockade of the entrance is a stick-up, General Homma's exposition of his attitude toward the British and French should dispose of it once and for all."

"He said the blockade would continue indefinitely, even though Great Britain and France agree to a satisfactory adjustment of the Tientsin dispute, because that would not dispose of other questions outstanding between London and Tokyo."

"In other words, the reasons for the stick-up would survive local reasons for persecuting and brow-beating Occidentals which might be construed as making them militarily necessary."

"The blockade would continue purely as an instrument of policy—purely and simply as a stick-up and as a striking illustration of the Japanese army's idea of diplomacy."

NAZI  
ATTACK ON  
TRAWLER

London, Yesterday. Returning to Fleetwood yesterday the skipper of the unarmed trawler Adam reported that the vessel was bombed and machine-gunned by Nazi seaplanes while on the way to the fishing grounds.

The trawler, with a crew of twelve, was steaming along when the seaplanes appeared.

The skipper said: "We saw two planes coming towards us. At first we thought they were British."

"They landed on the sea, a short distance from us and then one took off and after circling us, dropped bombs and swept us with machine-gun fire, but the firing was not accurate and none of the bombs found its mark."

"Our ship was not seriously damaged and no one was hurt."

"After about ten minutes the planes flew off in an easterly direction."

—British Wireless.

ALLIED CONFERENCE  
ON WAR SUPPLIES

London, Yesterday. The French Minister of Munitions will visit London next week to confer with the Supply Minister, Mr. Burgin, on supply matters affecting the two countries.

Dr. Salazar, Portuguese Prime Minister, had a conversation lasting 70 minutes with M. Van Zeeland, the former Belgian Prime Minister, on passing through Lisbon on his way from the United States.

BRITISH  
WAR  
ORDERS

LONDON, YESTERDAY. SOME INDICATIONS OF THE EXTENT OF GOVERNMENT WAR ORDERS WAS GIVEN IN LONDON BY THE SUPPLY MINISTER YESTERDAY WHEN HE DISCLOSED THAT FROM THE WAR OUTBREAK TO DEC. 19 ORDERS HAD BEEN PLACED BY THE MINISTRY TOTALLING £234,000,000, INCLUDING SUMS UNDER CONTINUING CONTRACTS FOR RAW MATERIALS.

The Dominions and India, Mr. Burgin said, had been in contact with the Government on the matter of supply, and he revealed that Australia was supplying not only guns and gun equipment but also the most modern anti-aircraft gun.

The Minister said his Ministry was in full working order a month before the war.

Britain had been able to buy up the entire output of necessary raw materials at the pre-war price, thereby securing both a constant supply and great saving.

Twenty new ordnance factories had been put in hand at a cost of £45,000,000 and extended contractors factories in 360 cases at a cost of £10,000,000.

Next year the Minister said, British guns and ammunition output would exceed the height of the maximum effort attained in the last war, and already in the four weeks of December, British steel production was the highest ever achieved in one month.

—British Wireless.

ELEMENTS  
STILL  
STRIKE AT  
TURKEY

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Istanbul, Yesterday. Another catastrophe is striking Turkey as a violent snowstorm rages in the Black Sea and many ships are believed to have been lost.

Sea traffic is entirely paralysed, and more than a score of big vessels and a number of fishing smacks have not been heard of for 48 hours.

ARREST OF  
THYSEN  
ORDERED

Berlin, Yesterday. The German police yesterday issued an international warrant for the arrest of Fritz Thyssen, the German Steel King, who helped finance the putsch which brought Hitler into power.

Herr Thyssen recently left Germany and on his departure sent Hitler a stinging note saying that he had supported the Nazis in order to combat Bolshevism, not make friends with it.

The international warrant charges Thyssen with not having paid taxes and with contravention of the German currency restrictions.

Herr Thyssen has been in Zurich for some time past, but he has suddenly left for Portugal.

—Reuter.

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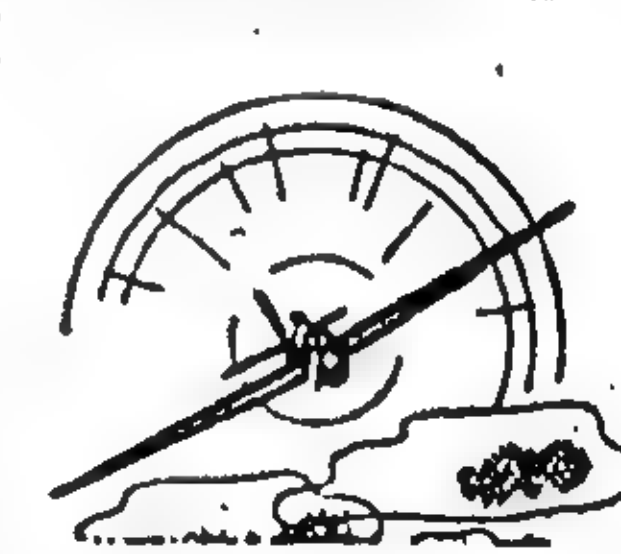
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# EIGHT BOUNDARIES IN ONE OVER!

## FREE FORESTERS IN SOUND POSITION AGAINST THE CLUB

FREE Foresters made an auspicious debut in local cricket yesterday when they scored 279 runs in their first innings and secured the wicket of T. V. N. Fortescue for 29 runs as the result of the first day's play in their two-day match against Hong Kong Cricket Club which will be continued to-morrow.

## VARSITY JUNIORS BEATEN

At Pokfulam, Indian Recreation Club juniors beat Varsity 2nd XI by 48 runs in a friendly match. All included six boundaries in his 32, while Rahmin and Razaq added 35 for the 8th-wicket. Cheong's 39 included seven boundaries.

| R. C. 2ND XI                    |     |   |   |
|---------------------------------|-----|---|---|
| F. A. Curran, b. Lo             | 0   | 0 | 0 |
| F. Ali, c. Lo, b. Chin          | 32  | 1 | 0 |
| A. R. Sufian, c. Chin, b. Lo    | 1   | 0 | 0 |
| M. A. Rumjahn, b. Lo            | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| A. H. Ismail, c. Lo, b. Lo      | 0   | 0 | 0 |
| A. Yusuf, c. N. H. Low, b. Lo   | 0   | 0 | 0 |
| A. Rahmin, c. Chin, b. Tan      | 30  | 1 | 0 |
| M. I. Razaq, retired            | 31  | 0 | 0 |
| S. Kayamally, c. Chew, b. Chin  | 0   | 0 | 0 |
| Y. T. Barma, c. Fenton, b. Chin | 11  | 0 | 0 |
| H. T. Barma, not out            | 0   | 0 | 0 |
| Extras (B12)                    | 12  | 0 | 0 |
| Total                           | 152 |   |   |

| Bowling Analysis |    |    |    |
|------------------|----|----|----|
| O.               | M. | R. | W. |
| Lo               | 9  | 0  | 51 |
| Chin             | 9  | 0  | 47 |
| Fenton           | 3  | 0  | 19 |
| Tan              | 2  | 0  | 23 |

## TO-DAY'S CRICKET

Royal Engineers will meet a Combined Softball team in a friendly cricket game at Sookunpoo this afternoon, starting at 1.45 p.m.

The annual cricket game between Graduates and Undergraduates of Hong Kong University will be played at Pokfulam to-morrow, starting at 11 a.m.

Following are the teams:

GRADUATES—D. J. N. Anderson, A. Baker, E. A. Lee, D. Hunk, C. W. Lam, A. T. Lee, A. H. Rumjahn, W. Hone Sling, F. L. Youngs, E. Zimmerman and F. R. Zimmern.

UNDERGRADUATES—W. S. Gegg, R. Singh, G. Hong Choy, J. Taul, K. Y. Tam.

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## Carey Tops Half Century

At the Valley, Police Recreation Club beat Civil Service Cricket Club 2nd XI by 53 runs in a friendly match.

Carey scored freely to compile 58 out of 76, including 12 fours.

| POLICE R.C.                         |     |   |   |
|-------------------------------------|-----|---|---|
| A. E. Carey, b. Stone               | 58  | 1 | 0 |
| H. Danbrowsky, c. Stone, b. Buckle  | 1   | 0 | 0 |
| W. L. Clarke, c. Crutwell, b. Stone | 16  | 0 | 0 |
| P. H. Loughlin, b. Buckle           | 16  | 0 | 0 |
| A. Kirby, b. Stone                  | 13  | 0 | 0 |
| T. R. Hunter, c. Lockhart, b. Wight | 13  | 0 | 0 |
| F. Forrest, b. Buckle               | 0   | 0 | 0 |
| J. Lewis, b. Buckle                 | 0   | 0 | 0 |
| A. Eatali, c. not out               | 15  | 0 | 0 |
| D. Wight, not out                   | 0   | 0 | 0 |
| N. Reynolds, c. Crutwell, b. Stone  | 4   | 0 | 0 |
| Extras (B13, LBI, WB2, WB1)         | 17  | 0 | 0 |
| Total                               | 138 |   |   |

## C.S.C.C. 2ND XI

| Bowling Analysis |    |    |    |
|------------------|----|----|----|
| O.               | M. | R. | W. |
| Buckle           | 0  | 0  | 39 |
| Stone            | 10 | 2  | 38 |
| Wight            | 7  | 0  | 43 |
| Crutwell         | 1  | 0  | 3  |

| C.S.C.C. 2ND XI                        |    |   |   |
|----------------------------------------|----|---|---|
| F. Harper, b. Lewis                    | 0  | 0 | 0 |
| G. Stone, b. Lewis                     | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| T. Lockhart, b. Lewis                  | 0  | 0 | 0 |
| L. Buckle, b. Lewis                    | 14 | 0 | 0 |
| W. A. Wight, c. Forrest, b. Danbrowsky | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| A. J. Wright, c. Kirby, b. Forrest     | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| H. J. Crutwell, c. Kirby, b. Forrest   | 44 | 0 | 0 |
| D. Crawley, c. Reynolds, b. Forrest    | 70 | 0 | 0 |
| A. Sheppard, c. not out                | 14 | 0 | 0 |
| J. T. Lacey, c. Danbrowsky             | 0  | 0 | 0 |
| K. Stone, not out                      | 0  | 0 | 0 |
| Extras (B5, WD1)                       | 0  | 0 | 0 |
| Total                                  | 85 |   |   |

## HONG CHOY TRIED LATE HAS 4-12

At Sookunpoo, Indian Recreation Club beat the University by 5 wickets in a friendly match.

Mathew and Hong Choy added 43 for Varsity's second wicket, but thereafter eight wickets fell for 48 runs, Minu securing his last four wickets for 9 runs.

| HONG KONG C.C.                          |    |   |   |
|-----------------------------------------|----|---|---|
| J. E. Richardson, not out               | 3  | 0 | 0 |
| T. V. N. Fortescue, c. Godby, b. Harvey | 3  | 0 | 0 |
| T. A. Pearce, not out                   | 19 | 0 | 0 |
| Extras (WB1)                            | 1  | 0 | 0 |
| Total (for 1 wkt.)                      | 29 |   |   |

| Bowling Analysis             |    |    |    |
|------------------------------|----|----|----|
| O.                           | M. | R. | W. |
| Harvey                       | 4  | 0  | 10 |
| Skipworth                    | 1  | 0  | 4  |
| Perry                        | 3  | 0  | 14 |
| Harvey bowled one wide-ball. | 0  | 0  | 0  |

## GOLF STARTING TIMES

Following are the golf starting times at Fanling to-morrow:

OLD COURSE

9.15 L. R. Andrews, T. Megarry.

9.30 A. V. Graves, W. M. Barton.

9.45 H. R. Harrison, J. Linaker.

10.00 F. A. M. Elliot, A. M. Mack.

10.15 A. Pollard, R. A. Miller.

10.30 S. H. Dodwell, A. Sommerfeld.

10.45 A. Mabb, R. M. King.

11.00 J. H. Harrison, A. R. Duncan.

11.15 R. H. Gregory, L. M. Lloyd.

11.30 W. E. Germond, J. C. Brown.

11.45 W. J. E. Mackenzie, H. Overy.

## NEW COURSE

9.30 Mrs. Hunter, Mrs. Lissman.

9.40 Col. and Mrs. Matthews.

10.00 Mrs. Germond, Mrs. Rowell.

10.30 Mrs. Mackenzie, Mrs. Overy.

## ANDERSON'S FEAT AT THE VALLEY: 63 OUT OF 97 IN 30 MINUTES: GAME DRAWN

## Ozorio 7 For 33

Despite the depleted bowling strength of both sides, scoring was very low in the friendly game between Craighower Cricket Club and Club de Recreio at Happy Valley yesterday. The home team won by 54 runs, H. L. Ozorio bowling excellently to take 7 wickets for 33 runs in 10.4 overs.

| Bowling Analysis |    |    |    |
|------------------|----|----|----|
| O.               | M. | R. | W. |
| Buckle           | 0  | 0  | 39 |
| Stone            | 10 | 2  | 38 |
| Wight            | 7  | 0  | 43 |
| Crutwell         | 1  | 0  | 3  |

## CLUB DE RECREIO

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"C" Class—Advancing Time, An-

## SMITH SHOWS GOOD ALL-ROUND FORM

A LOCAL cricket record was set at Happy Valley yesterday when D. J. N. Anderson, Kowloon Cricket Club opening batsman, hit V. C. Bond, of Civil Service, for eight boundaries in one over of the friendly match which was left drawn.

Bond, who is a left-hander, opened the Civil Service attack with N. Whitley, in the absence of D. McEllan. A. E. Perry and J. E. Richardson, who were playing in the Club-Free Foresters match at Hong Kong Cricket Club, and was hit for 24 in his first two overs and Anderson took heavy toll of his third, twice hitting him over the screen, and scoring in all directions off every ball he bowled.

Anderson went on to score 63 out of 97, including 13 fours, in 30 minutes, after taking part in a first-wicket stand of 73 with D. Hunk, who also scored freely off Bond.

Later K.C.C. batsmen found great difficulty in playing N. L. Smith, the C.B.S. schoolboy, who kept an accurate length and secured great pace off the wicket. He did very well to take 6 for 61 in 8 overs. Whitley also bowled steadily to take 4 for 45.

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## LEAGUE CRICKET POPULAR

From enquiries made by the "Sunday Herald" it appears that the majority of the cricket clubs recently circulated with a view to ascertaining their feelings with regard to the proposed cancellation of the Cricket League for this season, will vote against this measure.

It appears more than likely therefore that League fixtures will be carried out according to schedule.

## BILLIARDS SNOOKER AND DARTS

Following are latest results in the Steel.

Coulson and D. H. League:

Naval Police 3 C.C.C. 3

Roach 147 Long Sling 150

Batten 120 Kitchell 150

Nichols 120 Kitchell 150

C. & P.O.R.C. 3 P.O. Club 0

Graves 150 Gowing 83

Davies 150 Hodges 83

Honeywell 150 Gowing 83

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## RECREIO ROUT C.B.S. IN SECOND HALF OF BRAUN CUP MATCH

AFTER missing several scoring opportunities and being held to a goalless first half, Recreio Ladies asserted their superiority in the second half to beat Central British School by four clear goals in their postponed Braun Cup hockey game yesterday at Argyle Street.

Miss Bernini, who played in the previous game, was again seen on the left wing and though she was a source of constant worry to the Recreio defence, her inside forwards were not able to turn her centres to account.

Recreio were obviously the better team right from the start and did most of the attacking, but they were very poor in front of goal. The winners were fast and Miss Tordoff, on the left wing, gave a brilliant display of attackwork and centring. In the inside positions Miss Campos and Miss N. Goncalves were good, but Miss M. C. Figueiredo was prone to keep the ball to the right.

Miss T. Goncalves was not very safe in her first-time clearances, but she was well covered by Miss M. Ribeiro, who played a faultless game and was instrumental in keeping the schoolgirls from scoring.

There was always a big gap between the backs and intermediate line of the schoolgirls, with the result that the forwards did not receive much support from the defence.

Miss Tinson and Miss V. Moss defended strongly but were unable to control their clearances.

After a goalless first half Miss M.

### POINTS FOR D.G.S.

Diocesan Girls' School obtained another two points in the Braun Cup competition at King's Park when they defeated St. Andrew's Ladies by 3 goals to 1 after leading 2-1 at the interval.

Without the services of a left-winger throughout the first period, Saints' attack was badly crippled and Miss Bliss, who played there after the interval, played from the start a different story might have been told.

Miss Jeffreys and Mrs. Hanson were very impressive for Saints, checking the opening forwards time and again and distributing the ball to their own forwards with fine judgement. Miss Barker and Miss Lombottom were outstanding at forward.

For the Schoolgirls, Miss E. Churn, who was the most dangerous forward on the field, with Miss Kewell's valuable support, scored all three goals for her side.

Miss Barker opened the scoring for the Saints shortly after the start when she received a short pass from Miss Lombottom.

D.G.S.—Miss K. Bush; Miss N. Maxwell and Miss P. Coleman; Miss H. J. Jones; Miss P. Lang and Miss E. Wong; Miss V. Jex; Miss V. Churn; Miss E. Churn; Miss C. Kewell and Miss E. Hicks.  
ST. ANDREW'S—Miss H. Millington; Miss C. Darby and Miss D. Chow; Mrs. Hanson; Miss P. Jeffreys and Miss D. Doughty; Miss E. Barker; Miss I. Hicks; Miss H. Lombottom; Miss H. May and Miss P. Bliss.

### ARGONAUTS WIN

Maintaining their unbeaten record, Argonauts jumped to the top of the Braun Cup table yesterday afternoon when they defeated "Y" Ladies by a goal scored by Miss I. Mathias early in the game at King's Park.

Miss I. Mathias played an excellent game and was ably supported by Miss M. Xavier. Miss C. Marques, who was also in fine form, but her services were not made use of for the most part of the game.

The defence, especially Miss S. Silva, were particularly steady, especially in the second half, when "Y" Ladies displayed better combination and passing.

The forwards were best served by Miss V. Bradbury and the two full-backs, Mrs. Trimmer and Miss L. Dunne. On the whole, "Y" were slow and did not combine well.

"Y" Ladies—Mrs. Harrison; Mrs. Trimmer and Miss L. Dunne; Mrs. MacKinnon, Miss M. Stokes and Mrs. Ashman; Mrs. Dicknell, Miss S. Russell, Miss V. Bradbury, Miss I. Buchanan and Mrs. Peters.

ARGONAUTS—Miss S. Silva; Miss I. Xavier and Miss B. Xavier; Miss I. Sequeira, Miss N. Silva and Miss C. Castilho; Miss I. Mathias, Miss M. Xavier, Miss C. Marques, Miss M. Maxwell and Miss C. Marques.

### TABLES TO DATE

| CAER CLARK CUP  |    |    |    |    |            |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----|------------|
|                 | P. | W. | L. | D. | F. A. Pts. |
| "Y" Ladies      | 5  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 24 3 10    |
| H.K. Ladies     | 4  | 2  | 1  | 1  | 8 7 6      |
| St. Andrew's L. | 3  | 1  | 1  | 0  | 5 3        |
| C.B.S.          | 3  | 1  | 2  | 0  | 5 11 2     |
| C.B.A. Ladies   | 3  | 0  | 2  | 1  | 7 1        |
| Recreio Ladies  | 4  | 0  | 3  | 1  | 4 12 1     |

### BRAUN CUP

|                 | P. | W. | L. | D. | F. A. Pts. |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----|------------|
| Argonauts       | 4  | 2  | 0  | 2  | 4 2 6      |
| D.G.S.          | 4  | 2  | 1  | 1  | 6 4 5      |
| C.B.A. Ladies   | 4  | 2  | 1  | 1  | 6 5        |
| C.B.S.          | 4  | 2  | 2  | 0  | 8 10 4     |
| "Y" Ladies      | 5  | 1  | 2  | 2  | 4 4        |
| Recreio Ladies  | 4  | 1  | 2  | 1  | 4 4        |
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### GOALS

For the Schoolgirls, Miss E. Churn, who was the most dangerous forward on the field, with Miss Kewell's valuable support, scored all three goals for her side.

Miss Barker opened the scoring for the Saints shortly after the start when she received a short pass from Miss Lombottom.

D.G.S.—Miss K. Bush; Miss N. Maxwell and Miss P. Coleman; Miss H. J. Jones; Miss P. Lang and Miss E. Wong; Miss V. Jex; Miss V. Churn; Miss E. Churn; Miss C. Kewell and Miss E. Hicks.

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## FIRST WIN FOR C.B.S. IN LEAGUE

Displaying better stickwork and combination, Central British School defeated Recreio Ladies by 3 goals to 2 in their postponed Caer Clark Cup hockey encounter at C.B.S. yesterday after leading at the interval by 3 goals to 1.

The schoolgirls played one short throughout the game, at back, and fully deserved their first win of the season.

The winners were the faster team and safer in their tackling. Miss B. Goodwin, at back, was very sound and played a faultless game. Her clearances and hard hitting kept Recreio forwards well in check.

The intermediate line tackled quickly and seldom allowed Recreio to get the ball under control. Miss P. Kirby certainly harassed the inside trio, while on her right Miss S. Rousseau gave Miss Remedios little room. On the left Miss J. Kew put in much hard work and did well against the opposing winger.

In attack, Miss M. Shand was always dangerous, making most of the openings for her other forwards, while Miss J. Moss led the attack with gusto. Miss E. Watson showed a good array of speed and was seen in several good runs down the right wing. Her centres were well placed and she ended the afternoon's play with a good goal. Miss Bernini played a much improved game on the left wing.

### MRS. SILVA EXCELS

Outstanding player in the Recreio defence was Mrs. Silva, who saved her side several times by tackling and hard hitting.

Both the wing-halves worked hard but could not cope with the attack while in the centre Miss P. Goncalves was often driven out of position by the opening forwards.

Miss A. Alves was prominent in the attack, and Miss Silva and Miss Roza were seen in several good movements, only to be robbed by the schoolgirls in front of goal.

C.B.S. took the lead early in the first half through Miss J. Moss, and shortly after Miss J. Bradbury added a second goal. Miss A. Alves reduced the lead for Recreio but just before the interval Miss E. Watson culminated good individual work when she netted from close in.

In the second half Recreio played better and scored through Miss A. Alves. The schoolgirls tried hard to increase their lead and Miss Barros, in goal, brought off two good saves in the closing stages of the match.

C.B.S.—Miss J. MacFadyen; Mrs. Goodwin; Miss S. Rousseau; Miss P. Kirby; Miss J. Kew; Miss E. Watson; Miss J. Bradbury; Miss J. Moss; Miss M. Shand and Miss Bernini.

RECREIO—Miss Z. Barros; Mrs. M. Silva and Mrs. O. Botelho; Mrs. A. Remedios, Miss P. Goncalves and Mrs. B. Silva; Mrs. B. A. Remedios, Miss M. Roza, Miss C. Silva, Miss A. Alves and Miss C. Remedios.

### Y.M.C.A. LOSE 3-0

Playing at home, Y.M.C.A. first eleven were beaten by a team from Rajaputana Rifles by three clear goals after being led by two goals at the interval.

"Y" who were one short and had to borrow a left-winger from the Indians, were kept on the defensive all the time.

D. Smith and Austin were the only prominent players in the forward line, while Bates and D. Taylor were impressive in defence.

Lt. Sawel Khan scored the opening goal, Takhat Singh netted the second, and Datta Ram, the left-back added third goal towards the end.

RAJAPUTANA RIFLES—Mohd Khan; Lt. Hussain and Datta Ram; Datta Ram; Lt. Prilam Nath and Sher Khan; Shah Wali, Dan Singh Ram, Lt. Sawel Khan, Takhat Singh and Munira Ram.

Y.M.C.A.—V. Deswell; D. Taylor and E. Yusuf; J. Komptee; R. Bates and L. Coombe; D. Smith, C. Gernell, F. Morgan, A. Austin and Nulran Ram (from Rajaputana Rifles).

### TO-MORROW'S BOWLS

There will be a lawn bowls match to-morrow at Kowloon Football Club between teams led by the President and Vice-President.

The Vanling Hunt will meet on the lawn of Vanling Lodge, residence of His Excellency the Governor, to-morrow at 2.45 p.m., when Sir Godfrey will be at home.

The "Sunday Herald" learns that a basketball team will shortly be visiting Hong Kong to return the visit paid recently by a local Chinese girls' team to Manila.

## CLUB RESISTANCE BREAKS BEFORE BUSTLING TACTICS: THREE TRIES FOR BOWDEN

### PAUL KEEPS EYE ON STEWART

NAVY surprised the critics yesterday at the Valley when they completely outplayed Club in the Triangular Rugby Tournament, winning before a fair crowd by a goal a penalty goal and two tries (14 points) to a penalty goal (3 points).

Club, winners of the first game by 19 points to 13—Navy did not cross their line—were without Bidwell, Heasman and Bompas of their all-conquering fifteen, but not for one moment can it be considered that the absence of this trio was responsible for the defeat. Club had the talent, but it was not used to the best advantage against a bustling Navy side who were on their toes throughout.

Thomson received a very poor service from Henderson, who was right off this game, and Club backs were handicapped throughout the first half as a result. In the second half Thomson went to scrum-half and Henderson to fly-half. Had Club moved Charter to fly-half, and Henderson to full-back for Thomson to come into centre threequarter a different story might have been told. As it was Henderson's handling was poor, despite a perfect service from Thomson, and the first half was re-enacted.

Navy forwards were largely responsible for Club's defeat, giving a rousing display in the loose and holding a heavier eight in the tight to enable Brown to bent Castleton for the ball two out of every three times. Their quick heeling from the loose scrums sent their threequarters away time and again, and only stubborn resistance by Club prevented an even bigger winning margin.

On their form yesterday Navy will beat Army when they meet in the last match of the series next Saturday at Causeway Bay and thus avoid the wooden-spoon.

### CESSFORD AVAILABLE

The tragedy from the Club's point of view was that Cessford, their regular fly-half, returned unharmed from a brief holiday, and actually played for the "A" team yesterday in a scrum-half. No one knew he was available.

Club's hopes of going through the Tournament with a 100 per cent. record never looked like materialising. The forwards gave a very sluggish display and were dominated throughout by an eight who knew the value of concerted effort. In the line-outs the inexcusable habit of patting the ball was very evident, and if the ball was caught, which was rare, no advantage was gained except possibly from a wild kick to touch.

In the loose Club had eight forwards, and that was all. In the tight Godfrey and Deane both lent their weight, but despite a weight advantage, Club were too often caught napping just as the ball was going in. Feet up was noticeable on both sides, but Club were the worst offenders.

Henderson had the unusual experience of playing behind a backline when they heeled the ball. It came out so slowly that Clark and King were on top of the scrum-half before he could do more than gather the ball. Henderson was all untimely slow himself and when a quick heel resulted his passes to Thomson were invariably high. When he went to fly-half he held on Club back movements by faulty handling and poor passing.

Thomson had very little opportunity to open up the game at fly-half, being invariably rushed almost off his feet just as he received the ball, and he came into his own when he went to scrum-half.



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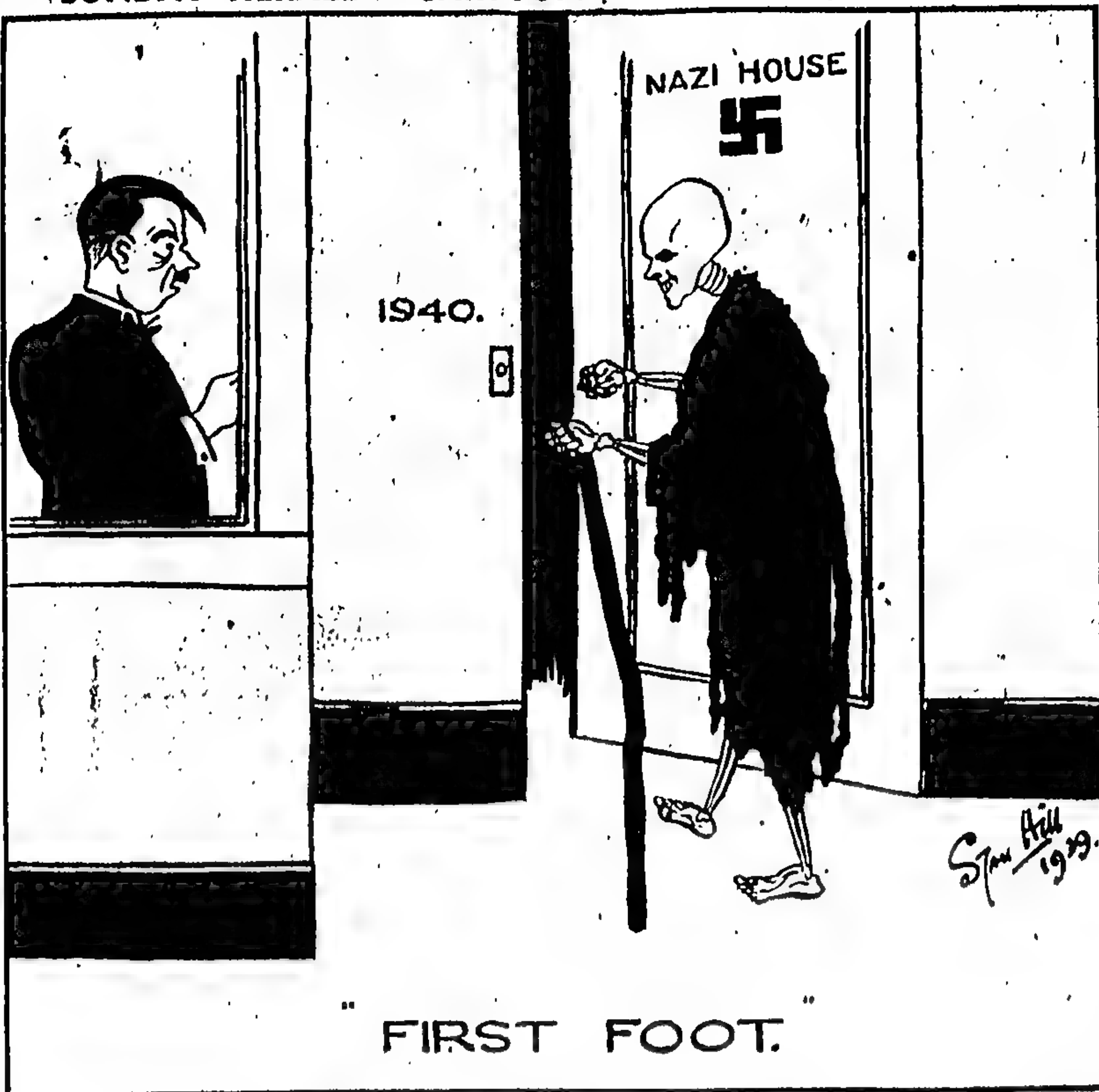
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ON THE AIR TO-DAY

## Recital By Erich Porges From The Studio

11.00 a.m.—Relay of Morning Service from St. Andrew's Church.  
12.15 p.m.—A Light Orchestral and Vocal Concert.  
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.  
1.03 p.m.—STUDIO—Another 'Musical Cocktail' by Erich Porges (Piano) (From Jimmy's Kitchen).  
1.23 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.  
1.30 p.m.—Router and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.  
1.45 p.m.—Bizet's 'Carmen' Act I. Singers in order of appearance: Ines Alfrani Telling; Astrid Baracchi; Aureliano Perillo; Bruno Carminati; Aurora Biondi and Chorus of La Scala, Milan, with the Milan Symphony Orchestra conducted by Lorenzo Molajoli.  
2.30 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.  
7.00 p.m.—LONDON RELAY—"C'est Magnifique". Collection of War-time Absurdities.  
7.30 p.m.—LONDON RELAY—The News.  
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
8.03 p.m.—A Scottish Programme.  
8.45 p.m.—STUDIO—Talk "The Deeper Causes of the War".  
9.05 p.m.—MEYERBEER—Ballet "Les Patineurs" Sauter's Wells Orchestra conducted by Constant Lambert.  
9.15 p.m.—LONDON RELAY—News Summary.  
9.20 p.m.—Derek Oldham (Tenor) and Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) in a Military Band Concert.  
Sousa Marches On...Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.  
It I Might Only Come To You (Squirrel); Mary, My Mary (Leslie)...Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Piano.  
The Soldier's Delight (Godfrey); Marche Heroique De Szabady (Massenet, arr. Dan Godfrey)...The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.  
So I Left (Dutcher); A Chip Of The Old Block (Squirrel)...Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra.  
The Voice Of The Bells (Luglin, arr. Miller); Tarantelle De Concert (Greenwood, arr. Godfrey)...The Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.  
9.55 p.m.—MOZART—Sonata In E Minor...Joseph Szilfer (Violin) with Nikita de Magaloff at the Piano.  
10.05 p.m.—B.B.C. RECORDING—"Legal Cruelty". A Visit to the London Law Courts as seen by Ian Hay.  
10.17 p.m.—Puccini's "Madam Butterfly" Act I.  
Soloists and Characters in Order of Appearance: Maximal (Mezzo-Soprano)...Suzuki; Cecil (Tenor)...Lieut. Pinkerton of U.S.N.; Patti (Tenor)...Goro; Weinberger (Baritone)...Sharpless, U.S. Consul; Sheridan (Soprano)...Cho-Cho-San; Gelli (Bass)...Prince Yamadori; Masini (Bass)...The Donas; With Members of La Scala, Milan, Orchestra and Chorus.  
11.05 p.m.—CHOPIN—Scherzo No. 4 In E Major, Op. 54. Vladimir Ilorowitz (Piano).  
11.17 p.m.—New Light Symphony Orchestra.  
Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes (arr. Quilter).  
Three English Dances (Roger Quilter).  
11.30 p.m.—RELAY of Epilogue from St. John's Cathedral conducted by the Right Rev. The Lord Bishop of Victoria.  
12.00 midnight.—BELLS of St. John's Cathedral ringing in the New Year.  
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# SOUTH CHINA "A" ELIMINATE KWONG WAH

## FORROW'S CHANCE AS PIVOT FOR COLONY

THOUGH THE "Rest of the Colony" will be represented by practically the same team which played in the Armistice Day game, United Services appear to be weaker for to-morrow's charity game at Causeway Bay at 3.45 p.m. in aid of the British War Organisation Fund.

## FOWLER BACK TO FORM

Club did not repeat their feat of a fortnight ago, when they defeated Royal Scots in a League encounter at Sookunpoo in the First Round of the Senior Shield. The game was very fast and interesting from start to finish, both sides making vain efforts to secure victory, and the final score of three goals each was a fair reflection of the play. Praise must be given to the left-backs of the respective sides, Fraser for the Royals and Strang for the Club being here, there and everywhere and being the most outstanding players on view.

Both sides were evenly matched, although Club were without the services of Bunc at right-back, and Coles deputised for Odell in goal. Royals took the field without Falconer, their regular centre-half, but Far-naby, who took over this position, played a steady game throughout. Duncan made some splendid saves, and was covered very well by two good backs. The Club keeper was a little uncertain under pressure, but nevertheless could not prevent the three goals registered against him. Of the attacks on view, the Club were the better, quietest, Fowler being a constant source of danger to the Royals, whilst Bickford and Wilson on the respective wings were in lively mood and flashed across a number of splendid centres. The Royals' forwards were patchy, but Hosack tried very hard and was given valuable assistance by his inside men, McDonald and Gordon. The wingers, Munro and Gilroy, were slow and uncertain and their centres were very badly served.

**CLUB SCORE FIRST**  
Club attacked from the outset and Wilson, beating Nymith for possession, centred beautifully into the goalmouth for Fowler to beat Duncan with a header in the first two minutes. End to end play followed for a short period, the Club being handicapped by Fowler being ruled offside on a number of occasions. Duncan then made a masterly save

Williamson, who is not available for the Interport in Shanghai, has been replaced by Forrow of Club. This move is probably to afford an opportunity to the selectors of seeing Forrow in a big game.

In the United Services team, Layle has been preferred to Bright, while the two wing-halves will be Freshwater and Wilkinson.

In the forward line there are several surprise selections. Thorburn and Saw, who were both disappointing in the recent International game, are again included, while Duffield, who has played little football this season, will be on the left-wing.

Before the game and during the interval a Navy band will play and during the game the ball will be raffled.

Following are the teams:

**UNITED SERVICES**—Robinson (Navy); Hill (Service Corps), Sheehan (Middlesex); Freshwater (Middlesex), Layle (Navy); Wilkinson (Middlesex); Phillips (Navy); Thorburn (Navy), Hosack (Royal Scots), Saw (Middlesex), Duffield (R.A.C.), Henderson (R.F.C.), Hendy (Navy), Rides (R.A.O.C.) and Pearson (Middlesex).

**REST OF COLONY**—Cheung Wing-choy (South China); Lee Tin-sang (South China); Blackburn (Police); Leung Wing-chiu (South China); Farrow (Club); Hui King-seng (Eastern); Fowler (Club); Fung King-chong (South China); Lee Wai-lung (South China) (Capt.), A. V. Gosano (St. Joseph), Hui Ching-to (Eastern).

**Reserves**—Ulrich (Kowloon), E. Strang (Club), Maxwell (Kowloon), Chan Tak-lai (South China) and Cheuk Shek-kam (Kwong Wah).

from Pryde, and from the clearance Hosack trapped the ball and sent a neat pass to McDonald, who moved into position to score the equaliser. The Royals were now pressing hard and it came as no surprise when they took the lead. Hosack netting.

After the interval Club made head-way when Fleming unnecessarily handled the ball. Strang took the kick and passed to Bickford, who transferred to Fowler for the latter, although hauled by two defenders, to send a perfect pass to Pryde, who beat the advancing Duncan for the equaliser. A nice piece of inter-passing by Gordon and Hosack culminated in the Royals taking the lead, when a Club defender conceded a corner. Gilroy placed into the goalmouth for Munro to score. Club, not to be denied, immediately pressed and from a corner, Fowler braced the ball into the net for the Club's equaliser.

## YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AND SCORERS

**SENIOR SHIELD FIRST ROUND**  
Kwong Wah... 2 B. China "A"... 5  
Chin Chi-fai... 2, Lee Wai-tong 3,  
Wong King-cheung... 1, Lee Wai-tong 2,  
B. China "B"... 2 Kowloon... 1  
Yung Shui-yick... 1, V. White.

**JUNIOR SHIELD FIRST ROUND**  
Police... 3 B. China "B"... 1  
Brooke, Coull... 2, Woo Chi-cheung.

**24th Hvy. Bty. 2 Kowloon... 2**  
Marshall 2, Taylor, Silva.

**8th Hvy. Regt. 4 R.A.F. 1**  
Edmonds (own goal), V. Smith.

**30th Hvy. Bty. 8 Club... 1**  
Guy 2, Penders, Docherty.

**Wood, Cole, Brown, Tuckley, Haplin.**

**International 1 R.A.M.C. 1**  
Remedios, McDonald.

**Kumaon Rifles 1 Royal Scots 2**  
Nairn Singh, Forrest, Hunter.

**TABLE TO DATE**

|                | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. | A. | Pts. |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| International  | 11 | 6  | 4  | 1  | 29 | 18 | 16   |
| Royal Scots    | 12 | 7  | 2  | 3  | 31 | 19 | 16   |
| 24th Hvy. Bty. | 12 | 7  | 2  | 3  | 37 | 25 | 16   |
| R.A.B.C.       | 12 | 6  | 3  | 3  | 35 | 15 | 15   |
| South China    | 10 | 6  | 2  | 2  | 35 | 14 | 14   |
| 12th H. Bty.   | 12 | 6  | 2  | 4  | 28 | 14 | 14   |
| R.A.M.C.       | 12 | 6  | 0  | 7  | 25 | 10 | 10   |
| Signals        | 12 | 4  | 0  | 8  | 19 | 35 | 8    |
| Kumaon Rifles  | 11 | 2  | 3  | 6  | 26 | 32 | 7    |
| R.E.           | 12 | 2  | 3  | 7  | 22 | 34 | 7    |
| Electric       | 8  | 2  | 2  | 4  | 22 | 27 | 6    |
| 5th A.A. Regt. | 10 | 1  | 3  | 6  | 10 | 28 | 6    |

## KUMAONS EXTEND ROYAL SCOTS

Kumaon Rifles continue to display marked improvement, and yesterday at Chatham Road they did very well against a more experienced Royal Scots side who won by 2 goals to 1 after leading by a goal to nil at the interval.

Gray, Kumaon's custodian, gave his side confidence by clever goal-keeping, while Tarr and Partap Singh played very steadily at full-back. The forwards lacked method and threw away good scoring chances. The Scots' full-back pair, Parker and Pennin, were consistently good throughout, while Dorman, left-half, excelled himself. Holden in the centre-forward berth and Forrest at inside-right were a clever pair of opportunists and were unlucky on a number of occasions not to have found the net.

The game opened rather sensationally, Kwong Wah attacking on the left and Wong King-cheung taking the ball down to cut in and shoot. Tam Kwan-kon fumbled the ball and allowed it to go over the line to the right. Shortly after this the diminutive winger was crooked for the rest of the game. South China equalised when Wong Wah-ang was lying injured on the ground and Lai Shui-wing only had to tap the ball into the net. Half time came with no further addition to the score.

**LAI'S HAT-TRICK**  
Play continued in South China's favour after the interval and for a long while they did everything but score, being in the Kwong Wah goalmouth for most of the play. They secured the lead, however, when Soong Ling-sing sent over a high centre into the goalmouth and Lai Shui-wing sent the ball hard into the net from point-blank range. A prolonged melee in the Kwong Wah goalmouth, with Lee Wai-tong the central figure came to an end when he managed to get the ball out to Lai Shui-wing, who completed his hat-trick from close in. Kwong Wah broke away after this and Cheuk Shek-kam pushed the ball past the keeper for Chin Chi-fai to dash through and lob the ball over Tam Kwan-kon's head into the net. South China returned to the attack and scored two further goals before the final whistle. Lee Wai-tong netting on both occasions.

**MEDICALS SHARE TWO GOALS**  
International and R.A.M.C. shared two goals when they met in the Junior Shield at Happy Valley at half time.

Medical forwards did not show much brilliance in the first half, but improved immensely in the second session.

International's play deteriorated considerably in the latter half, during which the R.A.M.C. had most of the exchanges. It was not until the last 10 minutes of the game, however, that the Medicals were able to equalise. It then appeared very doubtful whether International would be able to hold their opponents to a draw, as Medicals were attacking strongly and taxing the defence to the limit. Just before the close International, with a clever movement on the left-wing, took the ball up to the Medicals' goalmouth, and Elms passed to Rocha, who was only two yards from goal, but he missed a practically certain goal by shooting straight at the goalkeeper, who made a comparatively easy save.

Parkin and McDonald were two very speedy wingers for the Medicals and their long passes from the wings to the inside men provided ample scoring opportunities. Delgado and Tavares defended excellently for International, particularly in the latter half.

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## LAI SHUI-WING RECORDS HAT TRICK AND MAKES TWO GOALS FOR LEE WAI-TONG

## CHIN CHI-FAI MAKES PROMISING DEBUT

AFTER a rousing display by both sides which kept the spectators interested for the whole period South China "A" holders, defeated Kwong Wah at Boundary Street yesterday by 5 goals to 2 in the Senior Shield football competition.

For the majority of the game South China were very much superior to their opponents who, however, always contrived to come storming back into the South China half and pepper away at the goal. At the interval the score was one goal all and it was not until well into the second half, when extra time was being talked about, that South China obtained four quick goals with Kwong Wah also scoring one in between.

The man of the match was undoubtedly Lai Shui-wing, who besides netting a hat-trick, schemed cunningly to make both goals scored by Lee Wai-tong.

Chin Chi-fai, making his debut for the 'A' side on the left-wing, played a most promising game and it looks as though South China have another star. He is very fast, a veritable bag of tricks and his passing leaves little to be desired.

Tam Kwan-kon made one or two good saves but was shaky in the opening minutes and the first Kwong Wah goal was his fault.

**WONG SAVES WELL**

Wong Wah-ang, despite a nasty kick in the mouth early in the game, did very well between the sticks for Kwong Wah and saved several hot shots from Lee Wai-tong with confidence. Lau Fook-chuen was the best of the forward line but was given little chance to do any damage, being starved by the other forwards. Cheuk Shek-kam was very disappointing and Wong King-cheung played brilliantly in the first quarter of an hour, only to receive an injury and fade away after that.

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## EDMUNDS DOES WELL FOR R.A.F.

R.A.F. as was expected, succumbed to 8th Heavy Regiment in the First Round of the Junior Shield at Sookunpoo by 5 goals to 1 after a goalless second half.

The first half was interesting, all the goals being scored during this period and, although being behind by such a big margin, R.A.F. have only themselves to blame as Smith missed two perfect chances of V. in the centre-forward position as he netting early in the game. The second period was ragged, both sides being slow and weary. The only player to reveal football of a high standard was Owens on the Gunners' right-wing, whose amazing speed had a telling effect on the R.A.F. defence, but he too fell away towards the end of the game. The R.A.F. side have many weak links in the team, although Edmunds, left-back, played a grand game, despite the misfortune of scoring against his own team. He was the best player on the field. Berry, centre-half, played untiringly throughout and had a lot of work thrown on him through the inconsistency of his wing-halves. Goodwin caught the eye most at forward.

For the winners Purdie played well in goal, whilst Wong Kit-hing played a sound game at full-back. The half-backs defended strongly, but rarely gave the forwards suitable passes when attacking. Barnard, centre-half, was the pick of the trio. Of the forwards, Owens was outstanding, making splendid runs down the wing, while his centres were well high perfect.

**POLICE SURPRISE S. CHINA**  
Police surprised the critics when they defeated South China "B" in the Junior Shield at Boundary Road, winning rather comfortably by 3 goals to 1. At half time the score was 1-1.

Most of the credit for the win goes to Chan Kwong-yu, Police right-back, who was mainly responsible for keeping the strong South China front line out of the danger area. In addition he had a large share in the last goal scored for his side. Taylor did well between the sticks.

South China were badly served by their back division, both being unusually erratic. Ho Lok-ki strove hard to keep his side together, but it was more than a one-man job, and long before the end South China played very disorganised football, much too much individualism being apparent. Tang Kai-wong was weak in goal and at least one of the goals should have been saved. Woo Chi-cheung was the best of the forwards, but he rarely finished off his promising approach work, his shooting being invariably wild.

**FOOTBALL DRAWS**  
The draw for the second round of the senior and junior shield football competitions and for the Lai Wah Cup competition will take place at the monthly Council meeting of the Football Association on January 5, at 5.30 p.m. in the Association's office.

**OUTSTANDING PLAYERS**  
R.A.F. displayed their superiority throughout, working well together as a team and placing the Club on the defensive from the start. Club fielded a team which displayed no combination at all.

Outstanding players on the field were Haplin and Flanders, who

## KOWLOON JUST HOLD THEIR OWN

In a slow and unexciting game Kowloon managed to hold 24th R.A. to a draw in their Junior Shield match at Caroline Hill after the latter had led by 2 goals to 1 at the interval.

For Gunners, Minshall played well in goal and made some very good saves, going full length to several shots. The full-backs, Hodgson and Taylor, played well but were inclined to be over-eager. The halves showed up well, Twiddle being good in the pivot position and recouling useful support from Hill and Beat-on. The forwards combined effectively, though their shooting was inclined to be wild near goal. Marshall was the most outstanding player in the forward division, Mason and Atkins keeping him well supplied with the ball. The wing men, Minors and Greig, played comparatively soundly throughout.

Lapsley was easily the best player for Kowloon, and his fine display between the sticks won the admiration of the crowd.

Always very cool, he saved several point-blank shots. The full-back line was weak, Castro giving a poor display at left-back and this rather offset the good play of Humphreys. The halves played well, Gordon-James giving a sound display in the pivot position. The forwards were inclined to be haphazard in attack and their passing and shooting was very different. Silva is not so fast in the centre-forward position as he used to be, though he tried hard and played a good game. Irwin and W. Ho lent valuable support to the centre, and Taylor played well on the right wing, though his shooting is still far from accurate. E. Jorge showed up well on the left-wing.

Ten minutes before time Gunners' inside-right, Mason, was injured and had to retire from the field. The match will be replayed next week as extra time could not be given because of the Senior Shield match which followed at 4 o'clock.

**FATAL ERROR**  
Smith played a very steady game for Kowloon in goal, but made one fatal error in leaving his goal, an error which cost Kowloon a goal.

The full-backs played well, Eastman giving a good display and Ulrich being well to the fore until his injury forced him to retire. Bell took Ulrich's place in the left-back position but, though he tried hard, he was not a success. The halves were fair, though Williamson was definitely out of form. Maxwell and Elias gave the centre line support. The forwards were good, their understanding and passing being very evident. Santos played well in the centre, but was inclined to be hesitant at times and to shoot wildly. Jorge and Jackson played well in the inside positions, though the former, through his early injury, was considerably slowed down and could not give much help to the team. Jorge showed up well for the plucky way in which he carried on after his injury. White was very good on the right-wing and was outstanding for his cool and clever tackling and accurate shooting. Jackson, who played well in the left-back position, was very ably in the face of the difficulties of maintaining the two positions.

A few minutes after half-time, South China opened the scoring when Yung Shui-yick received a pass from Chan Tak-fai and with a very tricky display evaded Bell and shot the ball into the net while Smith was unswitched. Jorge hurt his leg again shortly after and went off the field but returned a few moments later still limping. White equalised for Kowloon by heading the ball in the last shot of the match. Five minutes later Chan Tak-fai placed South China in the lead again. He took the ball down the field on his own and when Smith came out of the goal in an attempt to intercept, he side-stepped and shot the ball into an empty net.

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played an excellent game and showed marked ability as wingers. Guy, in the pivot position, also gave an excellent account of himself. Eardley and Gratton, Club full-backs, were the best of the Club team, and deserve credit for their plucky performance against great odds.

**JUNIOR SHIELD GAMES**  
Because of the Charity game to-morrow, in aid of the British War Organisation Fund, no senior games have been arranged for this afternoon, although several Junior Shield ties will be played off.

With Middlesex not competing this season and Royal Scots already eliminated, Engineers, who created a record two seasons ago by winning the Junior Shield three years running, are again making a great bid for honour this season.

Their League performances have been most impressive and they have a well-balanced side. Unless Signals show better form than they did when they met Service Corps in the Preliminary Round they are not expected to get through.

The following is the programme:

**Junior Shield 1st Round**  
Signals v Engineers  
(Sookunpoo at 2.30 p.m.)

Electric v S. China "A"  
(Club at 4.00 p.m.)

Eastern v Kwong Wah  
(Club at 2.30 p.m.)

**TO-MORROW**  
Charity Football Match  
In aid of B.O.W.F.  
Combined Services v Rest of Colony  
(Navy ground at 3.45 p.m.)

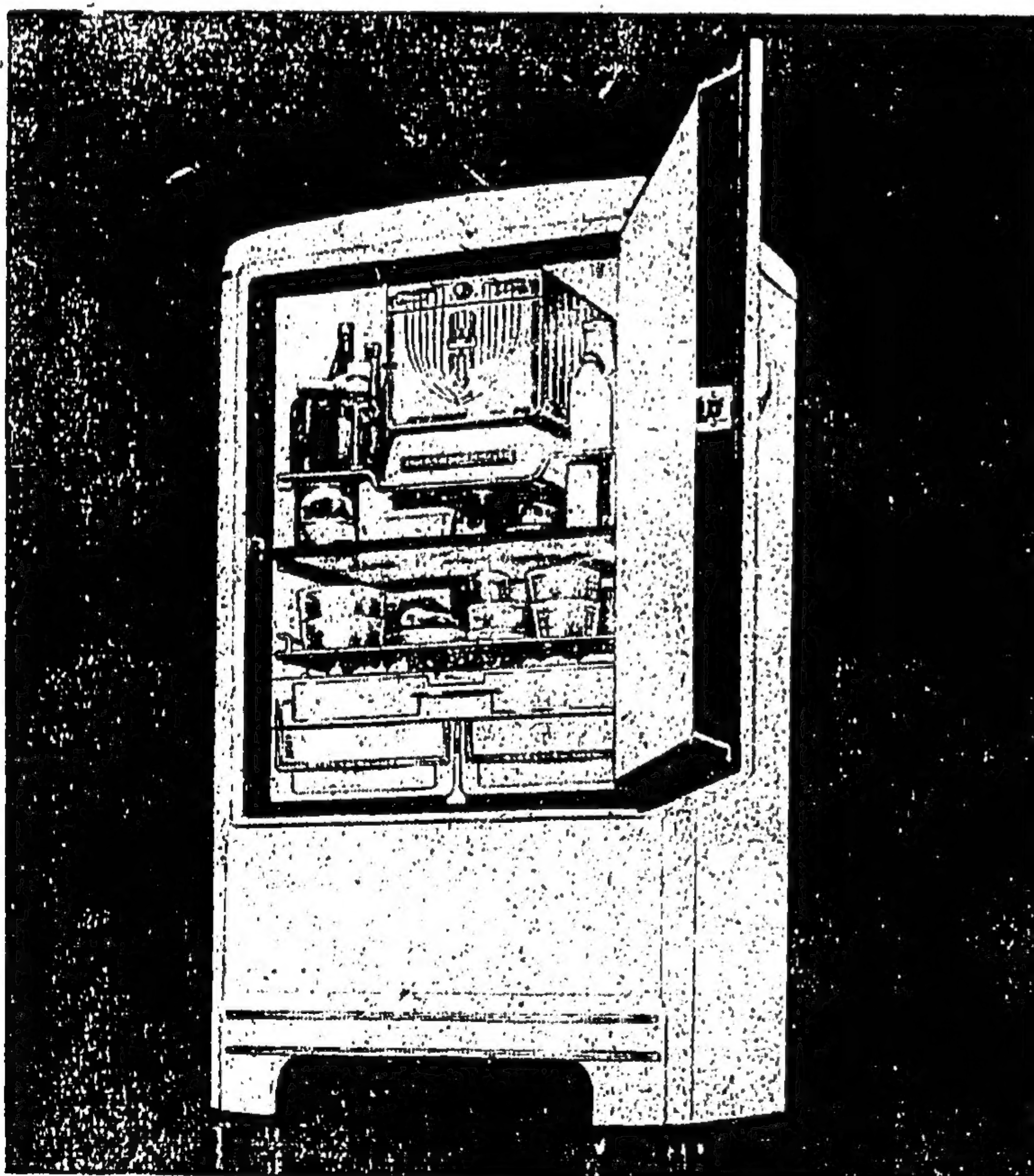
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**CLUB GO OUT 8 TO 1**  
In an entirely one-sided Junior Shield game at Happy Valley 30th Heavy Regiment R.A. completely routed Club by 8 goals to 1 after leading by four clear goals at the interval.

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## SHORT STORY: HUMOUR

## The Castaway

By W.W. JACOBS

MRS. JOHN BOXER stood at the door of the shop with her hands clasped across her apron. The short day had drawn to a close, and the lamps in the narrow little thoroughfares of Shingle-sea were already lit. For a time she stood listening to the regular beat of the sea on the beach some half-mile distant, and then with a slight shiver stepped back into the shop and closed the door.

The little shop with its wide mouthed bottles of sweets was one of her earliest memories. Until her marriage she had known no other home, and when her husband was lost with the North Star, some three years before, she gave up her home in Poplar and returned to assist her mother in the business.

In a restless mood she took up a piece of needlework, and a minute or two later put it down again. A glance through the glass of the door leading into the small parlour revealed Mrs. Gimpson, with a red shawl round her shoulders, asleep in her easy-chair.

Mrs. Boxer turned at the clang of the shop bell, and then, with a wild cry, stood gazing at the figure of a man standing in the doorway. He was short and bearded, with oddly-shaped shoulders, and a left leg which was not a match; but the next moment Mrs. Boxer was in his arms sobbing and laughing together.

Mrs. Gimpson, whose nerves were still quivering owing to the suddenness with which she had been awakened, came into the shop, Mr. Boxer freed an arm, and placing it round her waist kissed her with some affection on the cheek.

"He's come back!" cried Mrs. Boxer, hysterically.

"Thank goodness," said Mrs. Gimpson, after a moment's deliberation.

"He's alive!" cried Mrs. Boxer.

"He's alive!"

She half-dragged and half-led him into the small parlour, and thrusting him into the easy-chair lately vacated by Mrs. Gimpson, seated herself upon his knee regardless in her excitement that her mother was with her in the room.

"Fancy his coming back!" said Mrs. Boxer, wiping her eyes. "How did you escape, John? Where have you been? Tell us all about it."

Mr. Boxer sighed. "It 'ud be a long story if I had the gift of telling it," he said slowly, "but I'll cut it short for the present. When the North Star went down in the South Pacific most of the hands got away in the boats, but I was too late. I got this crack on the head with something falling on it from aloft. Look here."

He bent his head, and Mrs. Boxer, separating the stubble with her finger, uttered an exclamation of the pain and alarm at the extent of the scar; Mrs. Gimpson, craning forward, uttered a sound which might mean anything—even pity.

"When I come to my senses," continued Mr. Boxer, "the ship was sinking, and I just got to my feet when she went down and took me with her. How I escaped I don't know. I seemed to be choking and fighting for my breath for years and

then I found myself floating on the sea and clinging to a grating. I clung to it all night and next day I was picked up by a native who was paddling about in a canoe, and taken ashore to an island, where I lived for over two years. It was right out of the way of craft, but at last I was picked up by a trading schooner named the Pearl, belonging to Sydney, and taken there. At Sydney I shipped aboard the Marston Towers, a steamer, and landed at the Albert Docks this morning."

"Poor John," said his wife, holding on to his arm. "How you must have suffered!"

"I did," said Mr. Boxer. "Mother got a cold?" he inquired, cycling that lady.

"No, I ain't," said Mrs. Gimpson, answering for herself. "Why didn't you write when you got to Sydney?"

"Didn't know where to write to," replied Mr. Boxer, staring. "I didn't know where Mary had gone to."

"You might ha' wrote here," said Mrs. Gimpson.

"Didn't think of it at the time," said Mr. Boxer. "One thing is, I was very busy at Sydney, looking for a ship. However, I'm 'ere now."

"I always felt you'd turn up some day," said Mrs. Gimpson. "I felt certain of it in my own mind. Mary made sure you was dead, but I said 'no, I knew better.'"

There was something in Mrs. Gimpson's manner of saying that impressed her listeners unfavourably. The impression was deepened when after a short dry laugh a propos of nothing she sniffed again—three times.

"Well, you turned out to be right," said Mr. Boxer, shortly.

"I ain't really am," was the reply; "there's very few people can take me in."

She sniffed again.

"Were the natives kind to you?" inquired Mrs. Boxer, hastily as she turned to her husband.

"Very kind," said the latter. "Ah! you ought to have seen that island. Beautiful yellow sands and palm trees; coconuts in the grove; and pickings, and nothing to do all day but lay about in the sun and swim in the sea."

"Any public-houses there?" inquired Mrs. Gimpson.

"Certainly not," said her son-in-law. "This was an island—one of the little islands in the South Pacific Ocean."

"What did you say the name of the schooner was?" inquired Mrs. Gimpson.

"Pearl," replied Mr. Boxer, with the air of a resentful witness under cross-examination.

"And what was the name of the captain?" said Mrs. Gimpson.

"Thomas — Henry — Walter — Smith," said Mr. Boxer, with somewhat unpleasant emphasis.

"An' the mate's name?"

"John Brown," was the reply.

"Common names," commented Mrs. Gimpson, "very common. But I knew you'd come back all right—I never 'ad no alarm 'He's safe and happy, my dear. I says 'He'll come back all in his own good time.'"

"What d'you mean by that?" demanded the sensitive Mr. Boxer. "I come back as soon as I could."

"You know you were anxious, mother," interposed her daughter. "Why, you insisted upon our going to see old Mr. Silver about it."

"Ah! but I wasn't uneasy or anxious afterwards," said Mrs. Gimpson, compressing her lips.

"Who's old Mr. Silver, and what should he know about it?" inquired Mr. Boxer.

"He's a fortune teller," replied his wife.

"Reads the stars," said his mother-in-law. Mr. Boxer laughed—a good ringing laugh. "What did he tell you?" he inquired.

"Nothing," said his wife hastily.

"Ah!" said Mr. Boxer, waggishly, "that was wise of 'im. Most of us could tell fortunes that way."

"That's wrong," said Mrs. Gimpson to her daughter, sharply. "Right's right any day, and truth's truth. He said that he knew all about John and what he'd been doing, but he wouldn't tell us for fear of hurting our feelings and making mischief."

"Here, look 'ere," said Mr. Boxer, starting up; "I've 'ad about enough of this. Why don't you speak out what you mean? I'll mischief 'im, the old humbug. Old nassel!"

"Never mind, John," said his wife, laying her hand upon his arm. "Here you are safe and sound, and as for old Mr. Silver there's a lot of people don't believe in 'im."

"Ah! they don't want to, said Mrs. Gimpson, obstinately. "But don't forget that he foretold my cough last winter."

"Well, look 'ere," said Mr. Boxer, twisting his short, blunt nose into as near an imitation of a sneer as he

could manage. "I've told you my story, and I've got witnesses to prove it. You can write to the master of the Marston Towers if you like, and other people besides. Very well, then, let's go and see your precious old fortune-teller. You needn't say who I am, say I'm a friend, and tell 'im never to mind about making mischief, but to say right out where I am and what I've been doing all this time. I have my 'opes I'll cure you of your superstitions."

"We'll go round after we've shut up, mother," said Mrs. Boxer. "We'll have a bit of supper first and then start early."

Mr. Gimpson hesitated. It is never pleasant to submit one's superstitions to the tests of the unbelieving, but

after the attitude she had taken up she was extremely loath to allow her son-in-law a triumph.

"Never mind, we'll say no more about it," she said, primly, "but I have my own ideas."

"I desay," said Mr. Boxer, "but you're afraid for us to go to your old fortune-teller. It would be too much of a show-up for 'im."

"It's no good your trying to aggravate me, John Boxer, because you can't do it," said Mrs. Gimpson, in a voice trembling with passion.

"Of course, if people like being deceived they must be," said Mr. Boxer. "We've all got to live, and if we'd all got our common sense fortune-tellers couldn't. Does he tell fortune by tea-leaves or by the colour of your eyes?"

"Laugh away, John Boxer," said Mrs. Gimpson, icily, "but I shouldn't have been alive now if it hadn't been for Mr. Silver's warnings."

"Mother stayed in bed for the first ten days in July," explained Mrs. Boxer, "to avoid being bit by a mad dog."

"Teehee — teehee — teehee," said the hapless Mr. Boxer, putting his hand over his mouth and making noble efforts to restrain himself; "teehee — teehee —"

"I s'pose you'd ha' laughed more if I 'ad been bit?" said the glaring Mrs. Gimpson.

"Well, who did the dog bite after all?" inquired Mr. Boxer, recovering.

"You don't understand," replied Mrs. Gimpson, pityingly, "me being safe up in bed and the door locked, there was no mad dog. There was no use for it."

"Well," said Mr. Boxer, "me and Mary's going round to see that old deceiver after supper whether you come or not. Mary shall tell 'im I'm a friend and ask him to tell her everything about 'er husband. Nobody knows me here, and Mary and I'll be affectionate like, and give 'im to understand we want to marry. Then he won't mind making mischief."

"You'd better leave well alone," said Mrs. Gimpson.

Mr. Boxer shook his head, "I was always one for a bit of fun," he said, slowly. "I want to see his face when he finds out who I am."

Mrs. Gimpson made no reply, she was looking round for the market basket, and having found it, she left the reunited couple to keep house while she went out to obtain a supply which would, in her daughter's eyes, be worthy of the occasion.

She went to the High Street first and made her purchases, and was on the way back again when, in response to a sudden impulse, as she passed the end of Crown's Alley, she turned into that small by-way and knocked at the astrologer's door.

A slow, dragging footstep was heard approaching in reply to the summons, and the astrologer, recognising his visitor as one of his most faithful and credulous clients, invited her to step inside. Mrs. Gimpson complied, and, taking a chair, gazed at the venerable white beard and small, red-rimmed eyes of her host in some perplexity as to how to begin.

"My daughter's coming round to see you presently," she said at last. The astrologer nodded.

"She—she wants to ask you about 'er husband," faltered Mrs. Gimpson, "ah's going to bring a friend with her—a man who doesn't believe in your knowledge. He—he knows all about my daughter's husband, and he wants to see what you say you know about 'im."

The old man put on a pair of huge horn spectacles and eyed her carefully.

"You've got something on your mind," he said at last; "you'd better tell me everything."

Mrs. Gimpson shook her head.



"There's some danger hanging over you," continued Mr. Silver, in a low, thrilling voice, "some danger in connection with your son-in-law. There's—he waved a lean, shrivelled hand backwards and forwards as though dispelling a fog, and peered into distance—"there is something forming over you. You—or somebody—are hiding something from me."

Mrs. Gimpson, aghast at such omniscience, sank backwards in her chair.

"Speak," said the old man gently; "there is no reason why you should be sacrificed for others."

Mrs. Gimpson was of the same opinion, and in some haste she receded off the events of the evening. She had a good memory, and no detail was lost.

"Strange, strange," said the venerable Mr. Silver when she had finished. "He is an ingenious man."

"Isn't it true?" inquired his listener. "He says he can prove it. And he is going to find out what you meant by saying you were afraid of making mischief. He makes fun of your powers."

"He can prove some of it," said the old man, his eyes snapping spitefully. "I can guarantee that."

"But it wouldn't have made mischief if you had told us that," ventured Mrs. Gimpson. "A man can't help being cast away."

"True," said the astrologer slowly.

By "true. But let them come and question me; and whatever you do, for your own sake don't let a soul know that you have been here. If you do, the danger to yourself will be so terrible that even I may be unable to help you."

Mrs. Gimpson shivered, and more than ever impressed by his marvellous powers, made her way slowly home, where she found the unconscious Mr. Boxer relating his adventures again with much gusto to a married couple from next door.

"It's a wonder he's alive," said Mr. Thompson, looking up at the old woman entered the room, "it sounds like a story-book. Show us that cut on your head again, mate."

The obliging Mr. Boxer complied. "We're going on with 'em, after they've 'ad supper," continued Mr. Thompson, as he and his wife rose to depart. "I'll be a fair treat to me to see old Silver bowed out."

Mrs. Gimpson sniffed and eyed his retreating figure disapprovingly; Mrs. Boxer, prompted by her husband, began to set the table for supper.

It was a lengthy meal, owing principally to Mr. Boxer, but it was over at last, and after that gentleman had assisted in shutting up the shop, they joined the Thompsons, who were waiting outside, and set off for Crown's Alley. The way was enlivened by Mr. Boxer, who

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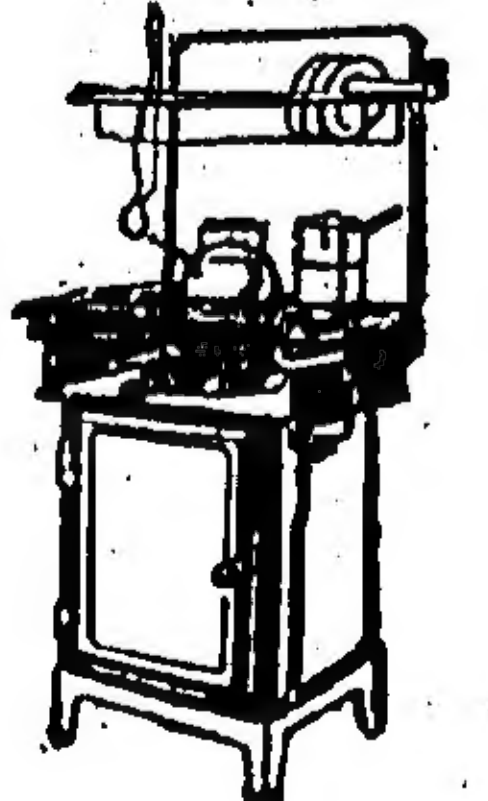


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# The Castaway

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Mr. Boxer, in an undertone, "The North Star," said the astrologer. "The ill-shaped man is still standing on the fore-part of the ship; I do not know his name or who he is. He takes the portrait of a beautiful young woman from his pocket and gazes at it earnestly."

Mrs. Boxer, who had no illusions on the subject of her personal appearance, sat up as though she had been stung; Mr. Thompson, who was about to nudge Mr. Boxer in the ribs again, thought better of it and assumed an air of uncompromising virtue.

"The picture disappears," said Mr. Silver. "Ah! I see; I see. A ship-clan's table, their behaviour left in a gale at sea. It is sinking. The ill-shaped son, in a few awkward words, announced the occasion of their visit. Mr. Boxer introduced as a friend man of the family from London."

"I will do what I can," said the old man, slowly, as his visitors seated themselves, "but I can only tell or see clearly, it cannot be helped." Mr. Boxer winked at Mr. Thompson, and received an understanding pinch in return; Mrs. Thompson, in a hot whisper told them to behave themselves.

The mystic preparations were soon complete. A little cloud of smoke, through which the fierce red eyes of the astrologer peered keenly at Mr. Boxer, rose from the table. Then he poured various liquids into a china bowl and, holding up his hand to command silence, gazed steadfastly into it. "I see pictures," he announced in a deep voice. "The docks of a great city; London. I see an ill-shaped man with a bent left leg standing on the deck of a ship."

Mr. Thompson, his eyes wide open with surprise, jerked Mr. Boxer in the ribs but Mr. Boxer, whose figure was a sore point with him, made no response.

"The ship leaves the docks," continued Mr. Silver, still peering into the bowl. "As she passes through the entrance her stern comes into view with the name painted on it. The—the—"

"Look again, old chap," growled Mr. Boxer, "I think we've had about enough of this rubbish. I have more than enough."

"I don't wonder at it," said his wife, trembling furiously. "You can go if you like. I'm going to stay and hear all that there is to hear."

"You sit quiet," urged the intensely interested Mr. Thompson. "He ain't said it's you; there's more than one misshapen man in the world, I s'pose?"

"I see an ocean liner," said the seer, who had appeared to be in a trance state during this colloquy. "She is sailing for England from Australia. I see the name distinctly, the Marston Towers. The same man is on board of her. The ship arrives at London. The scene closes another one forms. The ill-shaped man is sitting with a woman with a beautiful face—not the same as the photograph."

"What they can see in him I can't think," muttered Mr. Thompson, in an envious whisper. "He's a perfect terror, and to look at him—" "They sit hand in hand," continued the astrologer, raising his voice. "She smiles up at him and gently strokes his head—he—"

A loud smack rang through the room and startled the entire company. Mrs. Boxer, unable to contain herself any longer, had, so far from profiting by the example, gone to the other extreme and slapped her husband's head with a hearty good will. Mr. Boxer sprang raging to his feet, and in the confusion which ensued the fortune-teller, to the great regret of Mr. Thompson, upset the contents of the magic bowl.

"I can see no more," he said, sinking hastily into his chair behind the table as Mr. Boxer advanced upon him.

Mrs. Gimpson pushed her son-in-law aside, and laying a modest fee upon the table took her daughter's arm and led her out. The Thompsons followed, and Mr. Boxer, after an irresolute glance in the direction of the ingenious Mr. Silver, made his way after them and brought up the rear. The people in front walked on for some time in silence, and then the voice of the greatly impressed Mr. Thompson was heard, to the effect that if there were only more fortune-tellers in the world there would be a lot more better men.

Mr. Boxer trotted up to his wife's side. "Look here, Mary," he began. "Don't you speak to me," said his wife, drawing closer to her mother, "because I won't answer you."

Mr. Boxer laughed bitterly. "This is a nice home-coming," he remarked.

He fell to the rear again and walked along raging, his temper by no means being improved by observing that Mrs. Thompson, doubtless with a firm belief in the saying that "Evil communications corrupt good manners," kept a tight hold of her husband's arm. His position as an outcast was clearly defined, and he ground his teeth with rage as he observed the virtuous uprightness of Mrs. Gimpson's back. By the time they reached home he was in a spirit of mad recklessness far in advance of the character given him by the astrologer.

His wife gazed at him with a look of such strong interrogation as he was about to follow her into the house that he paused with his foot on the step and eyed her dumbly.

"Have you left anything inside that you want?" she inquired.

Mr. Boxer shook his head. "I only wanted to come in and make a clean breast of it," he said, in a curious voice; "then I'll go."

Mrs. Gimpson stood aside to let him pass, and Mr. Thompson, not to be denied, followed close behind with his faintly protesting wife. They sat down in a row against the wall, and Mr. Boxer, sitting opposite in a hang-dog fashion, eyed them with scornful wrath.

"Well?" said Mrs. Boxer, at last. "All that he said was quite true," said her husband defiantly. "The only thing is, he didn't tell the art of it. Altogether, I married three dusky maidens."

Everybody but Mr. Thompson shuddered with horror.

"Then I married a white girl in Australia," pursued Mr. Boxer, musingly. "I wonder old Silver didn't see that in the bowl; not art a fortune-teller, I call 'im."

"What they see in 'im!" whispered the astounded Mr. Thompson to his wife.

"And did you marry the beautiful girl in the photograph?" demanded Mrs. Boxer in trembling accents.

"I did," said her husband.

"Hussy," cried Mrs. Boxer.

"I married her," said Mr. Boxer, considering—"I married her at Cambridge, in eighteen ninety-three."

"Eighteen ninety-three!" said his wife, in a startled voice. "But you couldn't. Why you didn't marry me till eighteen ninety-four."

"What's that got to do with it?" inquired the monster, chafely.

Mrs. Boxer, pale as ashes, rose from her seat and stood gazing at him with horror-struck eyes, trying in vain to speak.

"You villain!" cried Mrs. Gimpson, violently. "I always mistrusted you."

"I know you did," said Mr. Boxer calmly.

"You've been committing bigamy!" cried Mrs. Gimpson.

"Over and over again," assented Mr. Boxer, cheerfully. "It's got to be a hobby with me."

"Was the first wife alive when you married my daughter?" demanded Mrs. Gimpson.

"Alive?" said Mr. Boxer. "Of course she was. She's alive now—bless her."

He leaned back in his chair and regarded with intense satisfaction the horrified faces of the group in front.

"You—you'll go to jail for this," cried Mrs. Gimpson, breathlessly. "What is your first wife's address?"

"I decline to answer that question," said her son-in-law.

"What is your first wife's address?" repeated Mrs. Gimpson.

"Ask the fortune-teller," said Mr. Boxer, with an aggravating smile. "And then get 'im up in the box as a witness, little bowl and all. He can tell you more than I can."

"I demand to know her name and address," cried Mrs. Gimpson, putting a bony arm round the waist of the trembling Mrs. Boxer.

"I decline to give it," said Mr. Boxer, with great relish. "It ain't likely I'm going to give myself away like that; besides, it's agin the law for a man to criminate himself. You go on and start your bigamy case, and call old red-eyes as a witness."

Mrs. Gimpson gazed at him in speechless wrath, and then stooping down conversed in excited whispers with Mrs. Thompson. Mrs. Boxer crossed over to her husband, "Oh, John," she wailed, "say it isn't true, say it isn't true."

Mr. Boxer hesitated. "What's the good o' me saying anything?" he said doggedly.

"It isn't true," persisted his wife. "Say it isn't true."

"What I told you when I first came in this evening was quite true," said her husband, slowly. "And what I've just told you is as true as what that lying old fortune-teller told you. You can please yourself what you believe."

"I believe you, John," said his wife, humbly.

Mr. Boxer's countenance cleared and he drew her on to his knee.

"That's right," he said, cheerfully. "So long as you believe in me I don't care what other people think. And before I'm much older I'll find out how that old rascal got to know the names of the ships I was aboard. Seems to me somebody's been talking."

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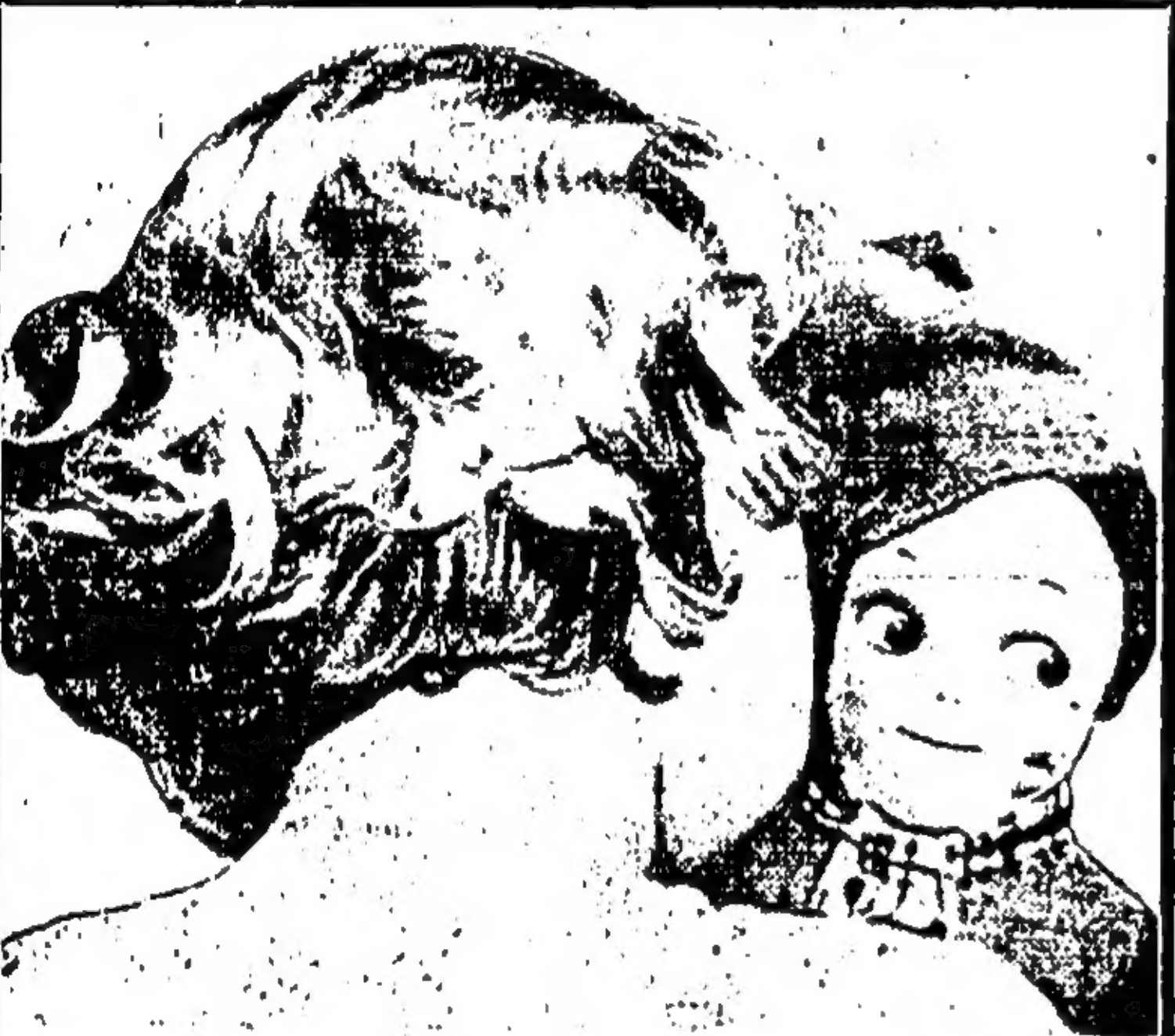
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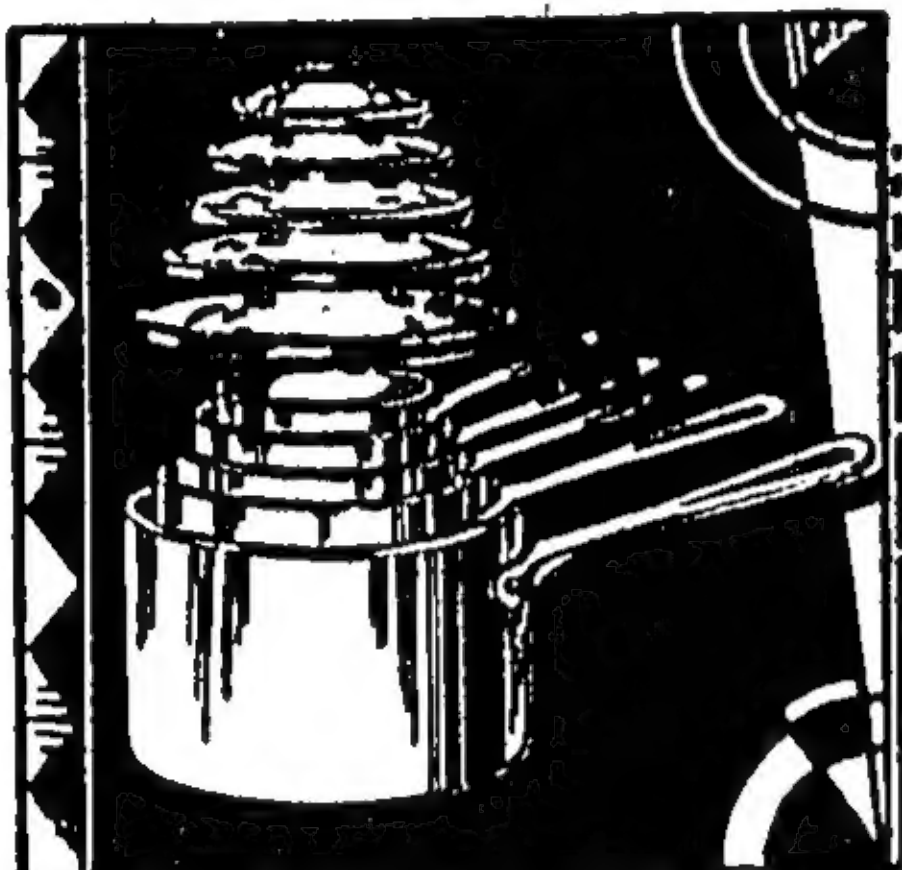
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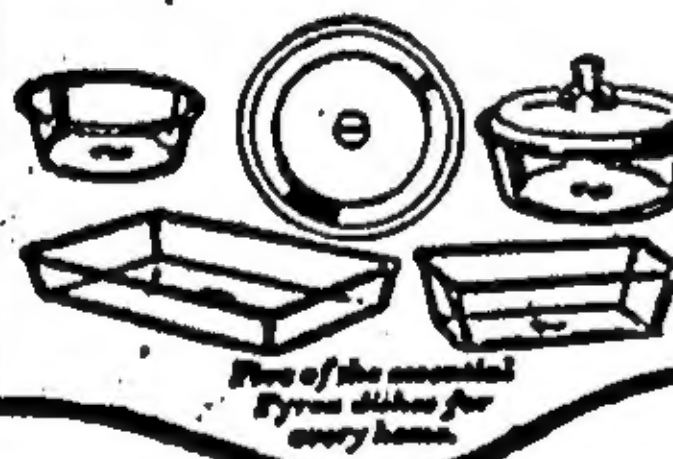
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## FIRST PHASES OF WAR New Year Review Evokes Quiet Satisfaction

### STRENUOUS AIR CAMPAIGN FORESHADOWED

London, Yesterday.  
Writing on the HUNDRED and nineteenth day of the war and on the eve of the New Year, the "Daily Telegraph" reviews the first phase and looks ahead. First events have differed from anticipation. Nevertheless, "before long we may be fighting a strenuous air campaign. Four months' testing time has given us no reason to fear the quality of the German machines or pilots and each day that passes brings us nearer the attainment of power to command the air."

**SIR VICTOR  
SASSOON ON**

### THE ALLIED CAUSE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

SHANGHAI, YESTERDAY.  
THE FRENCH CONSUL-GENERAL, M. MAURICE BAUDEZ, AND OTHER PROMINENT MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL FRENCH COMMUNITY, WERE GUESTS TO-DAY AT THE WEEKLY TIFIN OF THE ROYAL AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION, OF WHICH THE CHAIRMAN IS SIR VICTOR SASSOON.

Stressing the unswerving solidarity of the British and French Empires, Sir Victor said: "This solidarity is not artificial propaganda of the respective governments but a firm conviction implanted in the breasts of every member of the French and British Empires, wherever he may be."

Toasting the British and French Empires, Sir Victor concluded: "Britons and Frenchmen are fighting not for glory or riches but to safeguard the freedom of humanity."—Havas.

### FRANCE AND A NEW EUROPE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Paris, Yesterday.  
The French war budget passed the Senate without dissenting vote. In his address to the members, M. Daladier spoke of the New Europe to which all were looking, and said that it must have far wider organization than that now existing. Some system of federation, with local autonomy would have to be devised, gradually, and France was ready to co-operate with all those sharing the same outlook and the same aims as herself.—Havas.

### NAVY OUT OF YANGTSE

SHANGHAI, YESTERDAY.  
WITH THE ARRIVAL FROM HANKOW TO-DAY OF H.M.S. PETEREL FIVE BRITISH RIVER GUNBOATS WILL BE CONCENTRATED AT SHANGHAI. They are Scorpion, Gnat, Scarab, Tern and Peterel. The withdrawal of the vessels follows the departure of five British gunboats from Central China waters earlier in the autumn. Two ships to remain in Shanghai will be all left of the British Patrol in the Lower Yangtze.—Reuter.

### PROMOTION OF REAR ADMIRAL HOLT

London, Yesterday.  
Promotion to be Vice-Admiral of Rear-Admiral R. V. Holt, gazetted last night, recalls the incident on the Yangtze when, in H.M.S. Bee, he went to the rescue of the survivors of the United States warship, Panay, which had been bombed by the Japanese.—British Wireless.

Hitler boasted that Britain was no longer an island yet his air force to close our seaways.

"In a campaign of reckless brutality against British and neutral shipping, the German submarine service has again earned the detestation of the world but its power of destruction has been so checked by the Allied navies that the tide of the U-boat war flows steadily and strongly in our favour."

Disappointments and the humiliations of the naval war appear to have made Hitler hopeless of any future on the seas. No other explanation accounts for the policy of destruction by scuttling of German ships safe in neutral harbours.

The Journal thinks it must at last be dawning on Hitler that he has challenged a Britain which never before in her history has been so united in taking up arms.

Moreover, "the Empire has rallied to the common effort with more than loyalty—with the conviction that liberty in every Dominion and Colony is threatened by Hitlerism. We have worked out such a close concord with France as to multiply the strength of each country." British Wireless.

### DR. TEMPLE ON THE PEACE

London, Yesterday.  
In a New Year Message specially contributed to the "Yorkshire Post," the Archbishop of York urges the British people to look forward with hope.

"War has come, as we trusted it might not, but it cannot last for ever and the next great change must be peace."

"Let us so fight without hatred and so endure without bitterness that we may when the time comes—be it soon or late—establish a peace which will be permanent because it is just."

The Archbishop of Canterbury will take part in a New Year's Eve service and the Primate's address will be broadcast.—British Wireless.

### LOOSE-LEAF ATLAS!

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Zurich, Yesterday.  
A "loose leaf atlas," designed to keep pace with future changes in European frontiers, has been widely advertised by a German publishing house ever since the German invasion of Czechoslovakia last March. Anyone buying the atlas will receive a new map to be inserted in the loose leaf folder when any frontier is altered.—Havas.

### INDIANS VOLUNTEER

London, Yesterday.  
Five hundred Indian residents of London, the majority of them students, have offered their services with the civil defence forces. Arrangements are being made with the L.C.C. with a view to the creation of an Indian Ambulance Section.—Reuter.



His Majesty the King and the Duke of Gloucester accompanied by R.A.F. officers and War correspondents enjoy a joke during His Majesty's visit to France. (Fox Copyright).

### PARIS RESUMING GAY COLOUR

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Paris, Yesterday.  
Despite the very strict black-out regulations the streets of Paris are again assuming their world-famous elegance.

Famous artists, designers and painters were called up by a committee of Parisian shopkeepers to speed up decorative works for the New Year.

The shopkeepers' efforts have greatly contributed to enlivenment of the general appearance of the capital, and considerable ingenuity has been shown in designing decorative schemes for show windows.

Colour and design play a great role in all decorations, since the brilliant lights used before the war remain taboo.—Havas.

### AUSSIERS IN R.A.F.

London, Yesterday.  
Two hundred Australian airmen, at a West Coast air base, to-day paraded before their new commander for the first time.

In a brief address, the O.C. said: "I am proud you are here to help us in this fight against Hitlerism. That you will carry out your duties with distinction goes without saying."—Reuter.

### MALAYA'S WAR GIFTS

London, Yesterday.  
The Malaya Patriotic Fund has sent a further £25,000 donation to the Lord Mayor's Fund, following the despatch of £80,000 in October. Altogether, the Malaya Fund has collected over £120,000 and all races that make up the population of Malaya have contributed.—Reuter.

### BRITISH MINISTERS IN FRANCE

Paris, Yesterday.  
Sir Samuel Hoare (Lord Privy Seal) and Lord Hankey (Minister without Portfolio) reached British G.H.Q. late last night on their visit to the front lines. They will be Lord Gort's guests until Monday.—Reuter.

### NEW TERMS OFFERED TO SOVIET

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

TOKYO, YESTERDAY.  
URGENT INSTRUCTIONS WERE CABLED TO MR. SHIGENORI TOGO, JAPANESE AMBASSADOR IN MOSCOW, YESTERDAY TO SUBMIT NEW TERMS TO M. MOLOTOV, SOVIET FOREIGN COMMISSAR, FOR CONCLUSION OF AT LEAST A PROVISIONAL FISHERY AGREEMENT BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR, WHEN THE EXISTING AGREEMENT EXPIRES, ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS.

The "Asahi" considers there is little likelihood that the negotiations will be completed before the end of the year.

Nevertheless the newspaper points out that relations between Japan and the Soviet are much more satisfactory than at the end of last year. Little harm, it says, may be expected from the temporary treatyless condition.

M. Mikoyan, Soviet Trade Commissar, and Mr. Togo yesterday exchanged lists of commodities each country desires to export to the other, preliminary to the proposed negotiation of a trade pact.—Reuter.

### BYRD PARTY LEAVES FOR ANTARCTIC

DUNEDIN (N.Z.), YESTERDAY.

THE AMERICAN ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION UNDER ADMIRAL RICHARD BYRD LEFT DUNEDIN IN THE "NORTH STAR" FOR THE POLAR REGIONS TO-DAY.

Admiral Byrd proposes to carry out explorations on a wide scale. Among the equipment is a 27-ton vehicle which will be used for travel over the snow.—Reuter.

### NAVAL LOSSES

London, Yesterday.  
The next of kin of those killed when a torpedo struck a British battleship off the west coast of Scotland on Thursday have now been notified.—Reuter.

More than 8,000 employees of the London Passenger Transport Board are now serving in H.M. Forces.—British Wireless.

### FOUR A.M. BULLETINS

Dublin, Yesterday.  
The need for special powers of detention has arisen because the recently held trial of the prisoners relating to imprisonment was held in vain.

Fifty-six internees had, after to be released from a concentration camp in Dublin.

After this week, the Government will have full powers to deal with suspects against whom there is more than the usual suspicion but less proof of association with the I.R. The prisons are ready as well the forces to round up suspects.—Reuter.

Berlin, Yesterday.  
While Hitler has cancelled usual New Year reception to the plomats Corps, the Cabinet other high officials he has not forgotten to send New Year messages to the Nazi Party and the Army. In both messages Hitler says 1940 will be the most decisive year in German history.

He boasts that in 1939 he "pacified Europe and set aside the Treaty of Versailles."

In his message to the Nazi Party Hitler says: "I will liberate Europe from aggression and the constraints originating in England!"

"None of my measures have harmed the rest of the world!"

Czechoslovakia, Memel and land are mentioned in the message and Hitler adds proudly: "Only National-Socialism could have achieved these results."

He concludes: "The reconstruction of Europe can be carried out only by those whose achievements shown them to be young and ductive!"—Reuter.

London, Yesterday.  
It is officially announced that British Government has contributed £25,000 to the Turkish earthquake relief fund.

The French Government has a Chamber of Deputies to 5,000,000 francs, which is for the same amount. To-day's reports show how the need, is.—Reuter.

Ankara, Yesterday.  
The Government is considering taking the drastic step of evacuation of the ravaged areas the only means of saving the survivors.—Reuter.

Helsinki, Yesterday.  
Trains bearing Russian prisoners arriving every day at a concentration camp in the south of land, where 900 men will be held for.

Letters found by the Finn captured Red Army men contain the usual Bolshevik phrases as "we shall crush the enemy," "we will liberate the Finns," several written to relatives to calm the latter's anxieties, as them that the troops are well dressed and shod.—Reuter.

Paris, Yesterday.  
Twenty-seven degrees of were registered on the western to-day.

Activity continues both on the air. A French detachment penetrated behind the German line captured a German officer, N.C.O. The raid is admitted official Nazi communiqué.

Scouting activities have taken in the air but there have been battles. Allied planes brought back valuable photographs of the German positions.

One German plane was downed in France. There is no truth in the German claim that Nazi planes made reconnaissance flights over Great Britain.—Reuter.

Moscow, Yesterday.  
The Moscow radio to-day is noted for the first time that Finnish troops have made their way into Russia.

The radio claims that Red Finns are daily taking prisoners. Finnish troops who crawled the frontier in the snow. It claims 10 were seized today in the Russian part of the Iian Isthmus, but makes no mention of those who cut the Murmansk railway.—Reuter.

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